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MAYOR.

DUDLEY S. GREGORY.

MEMBERS OF THE COMMON COUNCIL.

FIRST WARD.

WILLIAM CLARKE,
THOMAS B. DECKER,
THOMAS EARLE,
JAMES L. OGDEN.

SECOND WARD.

WILLIAM R. BROWN,
JOSEPH G. EDGE,
AUGUSTUS A. HARDENBERGH,
JOHN McBRIDE,

THIRD WARD.

CHARLES M. HANKINS,
ROBERT McLAUGHLIN,
CORNELIUS VAN VORST, PRESIDENT,
JAMES WARNER,

FOURTH WARD.

THOMAS D. CHRISTIE.
SAMUEL M. HOFFMAN,
JONATHAN V. THURTSON,
THOMAS E. TILDEN,

CITY CLERK.

GEORGE W. CASSEDY.

MARSHAL.

NATHANIEL ELLIS.

COMMON COUNCIL.

BOARD OF 1859 AND 1860.

Pursuant to the provisions of the City Charter, the Common Council met at the Common Council Chamber, on Monday, May 2, 1859.

The Board was called to order by the City Clerk at half-past eight o'clock, P. M.

The roll was called and the following Aldermen (being the entire board) answered to their names.

FIRST WARD—William Clarke, Thomas B. Decker, Thomas Earle and James L. Ogden.

SECOND WARD—William R. Brown, Joseph G. Edge, Augustus A. Hardenbergh and John McBride.

THIRD WARD—Charles M. Hankins, Robert McLaughlin, Cornelius Van Vorst and James Warner.

FOURTH WARD—Thomas D. Christie, Samuel M. Hoffman, Jonathan V. Thurston and Thomas E. Tilden.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh, Alderman Tilden was appointed President pro-tempore.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the Board proceeded to the election of a President.

Aldermen Brown and McLaughlin were appointed and acted as tellers.

A balloting was had which resulted as follows:

Alderman Van Vorst received nine votes.

Alderman Hardenbergh received three votes.

Alderman Thurston received one vote.

Young received one vote.

Two blanks were cast

Whereupon Alderman Van Vorst, having received the requisite number of votes, was declared elected President of the Common Council.

Aldermen Hardenbergh and and Thurston were appointed a Committee to conduct the President to his chair. The Committee performed their duty, and the President briefly returned his thanks for the honor conferred upon him.

On motion of Alderman Clarke the Board proceeded to the appointment of City Clerk.

The same Tellers acted.

A ballotting was had which resulted as follows:

George W. Cassedy received fourteen votes.

Two blanks were cast.

Whereupon George W. Cassedy was declared appointed City Clerk.

On motion of Alderman Tilden the Board proceeded to the appointment of City Marshal.

The same Tellers acted.

A balloting was had, which resulted as follows

Nathaniel Ellis received sixteen votes.

Whereupon Nathaniel Ellis was appointed City Marshal.

On motion of Alderman Tilden the Board proceeded to the appointment of Corporation Attorney.

The same Tellers acted.

A balloting was had, which resulted as follows:

Richard D. McClelland received twelve votes.

S. B. Ransom received one vote.

Young received one vote.

J. Weart received on vote.

One blank was cast.

Whereupon Richard D. McClelland having received the requisite number of votes, was declared appointed Corporation Attorney.

On motion of Alderman Earle the Board proceeded to the appointment of Treasurer.

The same Tellers acted.

A balloting was had, which resulted as follows:

Peter D. Vroom received sixteen votes.

Whereupon Peter D. Vroom was declared appointed Treasurer.

On motion of Alderman Tilden the Board proceeded to the appointment of Overseer of the Poor.

The same Tellers acted.

A balloting was had, which resulted as follows:

William Whitley received fifteen votes.

One blank was cast.

Whereupon William Whitley was declared appointed Overseer of the Poor.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh it was

Resolved, That until the further order of this Common Council, the rules and orders of the last Common Council be adopted for the government of the present Board.

On motion of Alderman Tilden it was

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to report rules and orders for the government of the present Common Council.

Aldermen Tilden Hardenbergh, and Earle were appointed the Committee.

Alderman Hardenbergh stated that the Mayor was not ready at the present time to communicate to the Board, but would do so at an early day by message.

On motion of Alderman Tilden the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

BOARD OF 1859 AND 1860.

COMMON COUNCIL,

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday May 3d, 1859, at 7 1-2 o'clock, P. M

Present—All the members of the Board.

The Minutes of the meeting held May 2, 1859, were read and approved.

The President announced the following as the Standing Committees of the Board.

FINANCE.—Aldermen Hardenbergh, Thurston and Earle.

SCHOOLS.—Aldermen Warner, Edge and Hoffman.

LAWS AND ORDINANCES.—Aldermen Christie, Hardenbergh and Brown.

ALMS.—Aldermen Earle, Hankins and Ogden.

ASSESSMENTS.—Aldermen Ogden, Tilden and Hardenbergh.

STREETS.—Aldermen Thurston, Earle and McLaughlin.

FIRE AND WYTER.—Aldermen McLaughlin, Edge and Mc Bride.

POLICE.—Aldermen Edge, Thurston and McLaughlin.

SEWERS.—Aldermen Tilden, Warner and Clarke.

LAMPS.—Aldermen Clarke, Christie and Brown.

LICENSES —Aldermen McBride, Christie and Hoffman.

FERRIES AND WHARVES.—Aldermen Hoffman, Warner and Decker.

SALARIES, OFFICES AND ELECTIONS.—Aldermen Decker, Clarke and Tilden.

PUBLIC GROUNDS AND BUILDINGS.—Aldermen Hankins, Decker and McBride.

PUBLIC HEALTH.—Aldermen Brown, Hankins and Ogden.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Petitions of the following named persons to be appointed Policemen for the First Ward.

Patrick Hurley, William Reen, Thomas Callahan, Stephen Bennett, Anthony O Conner, Joseph Carroll, Francis Vallade and Thomas Fallon.

Petitions of the following named persons to be appointed Policemen for the Second Ward.

Stephen S. Sparks, James Mann, John Murphy, Thomas Scott, William N. Strong, Michael Kilcauly, Peter Scheel, Bernard Conway, John O'Donnell, John Brady, Martin Ward and Thomas S. Robbins.

Petitions of the following named persons to be appointed Policemen for the Third ward.

Philo L. Snow, James Mould, Jarvis L. Ayres, Edmund Slattery, Daniel McNamara, Robert Duffy, Michael Cosgrove, Patrick Jordan, Henry Manning, Michael McLaughlin. Julian P. Chazotte, Andrew Clancy, Alfred Berry, and William D. Sloan.

Petitions of the following named persons to be appointed Policemen for the Fourth ward.

John A. Topping, John D Thompson, Robbins Holloway, Ira Smith, John W. Sanford, John B. Davis, William Daley, John Burdick, John A. Van Voorhies and David Babington.

On motion of Ald. Hardenbergh it was

Resolved, That the Police applications be referred to the Aldermen of the different wards, and that the President be requested to name one Alderman from each ward to whom such applications shall be sent.

Whereupon Aldermen Decker, Hardenbergh, Warner and Tilden were named by the President.

Communication from E. B Bishop notifying the Mayor and Common Council of the falling due of an Improvement Certificate held by him amounting to $3320 92 and numbered 178, &c Referred to Committee on Finance.

Declination by Henry Amsden of the office of Constable.—Ordered filed

Official bond of Dennis Farrell as Constable, with James Lynch and Isaac Edge, Jr., as sureties. Referred to the Corporation Attorney.

Petition of Charles A. Woolsey and others for the reappointment of George C. Clarke as a Policemen to be detailed for special duty at the ferry and Railroad depot. Referred to Committee on Police.

Petition of John N. Fiacre and others, owners of property in South Seventh street and vicinity for the construction of a sewer in South Seventh street from Newark avenue to Prospect street, &c. Referred to Committee on Sewers.

Petitions of Matthew O'Donnel, William Mollett, Michael Eagen and William Rowlands for licenses to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables. Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Bernard McElroy for a license to keep a junk shop at No. 312 South Eighth street in the Third ward. Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of S. W. Bennett and others in favor of the appointment of Edward D. Reily as Weigher and Measurer.—Laid upon the table.

Petition of S Davidson and others in favor of the appointment of Jacob Z. Marinus as Chief of Police Laid upon the table.

Petition of John Ayres and Barton T. Bodine to be appointed Aids to the Chief of Police. Laid upon the table.

Petition of Bernard McAnally to be appointed a constable for the 3d ward to fill the vacancy occasioned by the declination of Henry Amsden. Laid upon the table.

Petitions in favor of the appointment of Alexander Love, Philo Snow, and Benjamin G. Hann respectively as Street Commissioner. Referred to Committee on Streets

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Of Police Department, $1264 12; Thomas Gafney, $106; Nathaniel Ellis, $38 75; J. F. Richardson, $12 and William W. Lee, $8 81. Referred to the Committee on Police.

Of John Coar, $595; John Wilson, $269 98; John Coar, $30; Delos E. Culver, $21 85; I. B. & D. E. Culver, $10 and John Coar, $7 40. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Of Fidelity Division, $75; Jasper Wandle. $31 25 and $31 25; Joseph B. Stone, $30; David Bedford, $13; Stephen Quaife, $10 and Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Co. $4 06. Referred to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of James McLaughlin, $87 59; Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Co, $53 14 and Japhet Jardine, $2 63. Referred to the Committee on Fire and Water.

Of Peter D. Vroom, $125 · Walters Burrows, $100; Joseph H. Rommel, $50; Nathaniel Ellis, $41 66 and P. N Horsley, $2 63. Referred to the Committee on Salaries, Offices, and Elections.

Of Jacob Erwin, $123 25; Drayton & Durant, $95 60; Hugh Reilly, $22 06 and William Anness, $1 18. Referred to the Committee on Alms.

Of Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Co. $1619 31; J. F. Richardson, $38; Hugh Billingsley, 17 50 and Mrs. Ann Eaton, $17 50. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

The claims of Thomas Royle for $4 37 and McAlister and Manning for $29 55, presented and referred to the special committee on Washington Square Improvement of the late Common Council were reported correct and ordered paid.

The claim of David Tashern for $3, presented and referred to the special committee on charter amendments of the late Common Council was returned and ordered paid.

The City Clerk laid before the Board the following communication from His Honor the Mayor, filed in the CityClerk's office on the 30th April, 1859, and the same was read, received, and ordered to be entered at large on the journal of proceedings of the Common Council, and laid upon the table.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, April 28, 1859.

To the Honorable the Common Council of Jersey City—

By the 44th section of the charter of the city (to be found at page 23 of pamphlet edition) it is declared to be the duty of the Assessors to "assess all real estate and chattels, situate in the city, except such real estate and chattels belonging to religious corporations or churches, or used or occupied by, or for schools or academies, as is by law exempt from taxation by the assessors of townships, &c. The law prescribing the duties of the Assessors of townships was passed in 1854, and may be found in Nixon's digest, page 801, 2, &c. In the 5th section of that law there is given a list of property to be exempted from taxation. The following is included: "all colleges, academies or seminaries of learning, public libraries. school houses. and *all buildings erected and used for religious worship*, the lands whereupon the same are erected, the furniture thereof, and the personal property used therein; pews in churches, grave yards not exceeding ten acres of ground, and all buildings erected and used exclusively for charitable purposes, with the lands on which they are erected, and the furniture used therein; also the engines and apparatus of any individual or company used for extinguishing fires.

In this list I cannot find included the dwelling house occupied by any Clergyman or Pastor, and cannot agree with your body that such property is exempted from taxation.—If this be a defect in the law, I trust there will be provision

made in the amended charter which I hope will be ready to be passed into a law at the next meeting of the legislature.

Respectfully submitted,

D. S. GREGORY, Mayor.

The City Clerk laid before the Board the following communication from his honor the Mayor, filed in the City Clerk's office on the 3d May instant, and the same was read, received, and ordered to be entered at large on the journal of proceedings of the Common Council, and laid upon the table.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, April 30, 1859.

To the Hon. Common Council of Jersey City:

Gentlemen—I return, without my signature, for your further consideration the resolution of your body, passed at the last meeting, to authorize a company to lay rails in certain streets of the city.

I do this most reluctantly, because I have been for a long time convinced that such permission should be given—that the people may be accommodated within our limits—and beyond them, with cheap and convenient means of reaching their residence and business in their intercourse with New York.

At the last session of the Legislature there were two companies incorporated to lay rails for horse cars, with your consent, in some of the streets of Jersey City. One of these is for a line of connexion between the ferries at Hoboken and Jersey City. The other to reach the city of Hudson and Bergen Point. The resolution under consideration seems to imply a grant for the joint use of a portion of the routes to both companies in your proposed consent to permit the first mentioned company to proceed in laying down tracks.

As this consent is enduring, its bearing and consequences should have deliberate consideration.

The public has a common right, or easement, in the use of the streets—and it is a grave question how far you may restrict those rights—if by these grants you do restrict them. The owners of property fronting on the streets have an interest in them, and should have an opportunity to express an opinion on your proposed acts.

The applications for permission for the use of some of the streets by these companies were made at a previous meeting to the passage of the resolution under consideration. They are not supported by petitions from the inhabitants, nor has there been any remonstrance by them thereto. It is fair to infer that they have not had an opportunity to consider the question and its bearings and influences The phraseology of the resolution bears upon its face the marks of haste and the want of consideration. There is no restriction to the number of tracks to be laid on some portions of the route, nor of the charge to be made to passengers. I think both should be limited in the grant. It seems to imply the right of both companies to cross twice within half a block the numerous tracks of the existing railroads. This will endanger life and entail expense on these companies for switchmen and flagmen for the use of their horse-car companies, and may produce unnecessary conflict with the rights of others.

But to grant these privileges by *resolution* is not in accordance with the powers bestowed upon you by the Legislature. You can exercise your power for this purpose over the streets by an *ordinance* only. This you will find to be so in the 6th article of section 42 of title 4 of the charter. This in itself is a sufficient reason why I should withhold my signature to your resolution.

You will permit me to add that due notice should be given to the public after the course of the route is determined upon, to hear objections thereto, before bestowing these perpetual and exclusive privileges.

It is desirable also, owing to the prospective value of these grants that stipulations and reservations should be agreed upon as to the right of taxation, if it exists in your body, for these exclusive privileges To some extent this is mentioned in the resolution. Different methods to derive a revenue to the city from these sources have been adopted in other cities. I will not state them here. So also as to keeping the whole of the streets through which they may pass in repair. At the same time an enterprise of this sort should be encouraged in every way until they remunerate the shareholders fully in a fair dividend for their enterprise.

I do not apprehend any difficulty in making these grants in a lawful manner acceptable to the grantees, and satisfactory to the public.

I submit the subject to your reconsideration.

D. S. GREGORY, Mayor.

The City Treasurer's report for April, 1859, showing a balance in the treasury April 30th, 1859, of $6427 03, was presented, received, and ordered filed.

The official bond of Chancellor W. Chase, as Constable, referred to the Corporation Attorney April 19th, 1859 was reported back by that officer as drawn in legal form and approved by him. The bond was approved and ordered filed.

The annual reports of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, the Overseer of the Poor, the Superintendent of the Alms House, and Medical Department of the Alms House and Hospital, were presented, received, and laid upon the table.

The semi-annual report of the City Physician of the 3d and 4th wards was presented, received, and laid upon the table

The Marshal's report of the names of absentees from the Common Council meetings during the quarter ending April 30th, 1859. and the amount of fines charged against them, was presented, received, and laid upon the table.

The City Clerk presented a bundle of ordinances received from the Chairman of the Committee on Laws and Ordinances of the late Board, which were referred to that Committee January 18th, 1859.

The ordinances were referred to the Committee on Laws and Ordinances.

The Special Committee appointed to revise the rules and orders of the Common Council verbally recommended the adoption of the RULES and ORDERS of the late Board, with the following amendments, viz:

Amend rule XXXIII, so as to read as follows:

Rule XXXIII.—The regular meetings of the Common Council shall be held on every Tuesday evening, except in the months of July, August and September, in each of which the first and third Tuesdays shall be the regular meetings.

Amend rule XXXV so as to read as follows:

Rule XXXV.—No member shall retire from any meeting of the Board without permission of the President except after the hour of 10 o'clock in the evening.

The report of the Committee was received and its recommendation adopted.

The following resolutions were offered by Alderman Brown and adopted.

Resolved, That the resolution reported April 19, 1859, by the Committee on Streets, and passed by the Common Council appointing a time and place for a hearing of all parties interested in the application presented April 5th, 1859, by George E. Grenzeback and others to have Jersey street opened from Rail Road avenue to Newark avenue, be and the same is hereby rescinded.

Resolved, That Monday, May 16th, 1859, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., at the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street, is hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the Committee on Streets of the Common Council will meet for the purpose of hearing on its merits all parties interested in the application presented to the Common Council of Jersey City April 5th, 1859, by George E. Grenzeback and others to have Jersey street opened from Railroad avenue to Newark avenue eighty feet wide, where the same is not already opened, and in a continuous line with Jersey street, and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the two Jersey City papers for the length of time required by the City Charter notice of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh:

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be authorized to borrow for the use of the city the sum of ten thousand dollars as a temporary loan in anticipation of the taxes of 1859, and that upon the requisition of the Committee on Finance the City Clerk be instructed to issue a city bond, said bond to be dated May 4th, and to be drawn payable in three months from date, and that the City Clerk be instructed to attach the seal of the city thereto, when the same shall be signed by his honor the Mayor of the city.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—President Van Vorst, and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden, and Warner.

Nays—None.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Clarke:

Resolved, That the New Jersey Railroad Co. be requested to have their road in front of Jersey street fenced in.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on Streets.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the course pursued by Jonathan V. Thurston, Esq., as an ex-officio Water Commissioner from this board. by his faithful and untiring discharge of public duty, and honesty and integrity of action, meets with the approving sanction of this Board.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the Board proceeded to the appointment of Comptroller.

Aldermen Thurston and Decker were appointed and acted as tellers.

A balloting was had which resulted as follows:

Jaques V. Hardenbergh received sixteen votes.

Whereupon Jaques V. Hardenbergh was declared appointed Comptroller.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the Board proceeded to the appointment of Street Commissioner.

The same tellers acted.

Ballotings were had which resulted as follows:

First balloting—
Philo Snow received three votes.
John D. Nolan received four votes.
Hugh Keenan received two votes.
Benjamin Hann received one vote.
Alexander Love received three votes.
Jacob Z. Marinus received one vote,
Two blanks were cast.

Second balloting—
Philo Snow received three votes.
Hugh Keenan received one vote.
John D. Nolan received four votes.
Alexander Love received four votes.
Benjamin Hann received two votes.
Richard R, Rappleyea received one vote.
One blank was cast.

Third balloting—
John D, Nolan received two votes.
Alexander Love received four votes.
Hugh Keenan received two votes.
Philo Snow received five votes.
Benjamin Hann received two votes.
One blank was cast.

Fourth balloting—
John D. Nolan received four votes.
Alexander Love received four votes.
Hugh Keenan received one vote.
Philo Snow received six votes.
Benjamino Hann received one vote.

Fifth balloting—
John D. Nolan received four votes,
Alexander Love received four votes.
Philo Snow received seven votes.
Benjamin Hann received one vote.

Sixth balloting—
Alexander Love received three votes.
Philo Snow received eight votes.
John D. Nolan received three votes.
Benjamin Hann received two votes.

Seventh Balloting—
Philo Snow received eight votes.
John D. Nolan received three votes.
Alexander Love received four votes,
Benjamin Hann received one vote,

Eighth balloting—
Philo Snow received five votes
Alexander Love received five votes.
Benjamin Hann received two votes.
John D, Nolan received two votes.
Two blanks were cast.

On motion of Alderman Earle the further balloting for Street Commissioner was postponed.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the Board proceeded to the appointment of weigher and measurer.

The same tellers acted.

Three ballotings were had which resulted as follows:

First balloting—
Edward D. Reilly received seven votes.
Jeremiah B. Cleveland received eight votes.
One blank was cast.

Second balloting—
Edward D. Reily received eight votes.
Jeremiah B. Cleveland received eight votes.

Third balloting—
Edward D. Reilly received six votes.
Jeremiah B. Cleveland received ten votes.

Whereupon Jeremiah B. Cleveland having received the received the requisite number of votes was declared appointed Weiger and Measurer.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the Board proceeded to the appointment of Corporation Printer.

Aldermen Tilden and Clarke were appointed and acted as tellers

A balloting was had which resulted as follows:
John A. Ryerson received four votes.
William B. Dunning received eleven votes.
Gregory received one vote.

Whereupon William B. Dunning was declared appointed Corporation Printer.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the Board proceeded to the appointment of Chief of Police.

The same tellers acted.

Six ballotings were had which resulted as follows:

First balloting—
Jacob Z. Marinus received eight votes.
Benjamin Haines received five votes.
Harney received one vote.
Francis Valide received one vote.
One blank was cast.

Second balloting—
Jacob Z. Marinus received eight votes.
Benjamin Haines received six votes,
Harney received one vote.
One blank was cast.

Third balloting—
Jacob Z Marinus received eight votes.
Benjamin Hains received six votes.
Harney received one vote.
One blank was cast.

Fourth balloting—
Jacob Z. Marinus received eight votes;
Benjamine Haines received six votes.
Harney received two votes

Fifth balloting—
Jacob Z. Marinus received seven votes
Benjamin Haines received seven votes.
Harney received two votes.

Sixth balloting—
Jacob Z. Marinus received ten votes.
Benjamin Haines received five votes.
Harney received one vote.

Whereupon Jacob Z. Marinus having received the requisite number of votes was declared appointed Chief of Police.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the Board proceeded to the appointment of Collector of Arrears of Taxes.

The same Tellers acted.

Five ballotings were had which resulted as follows:

First balloting—
Henry E. Insley received seven votes.
Roysten S. Tilden received five votes.
George E, Cutter received two votes.
Two blanks were cast.

Second balloting—
Henry E, Insley received eight votes.
Royston S. Tilden received five votes.
George E. Cutter received two votes.
One blank was cast.

Third balloting—
Henry E. Insley received seven votes.
Royston S. Tilden received six votes.
George E. Cutter received one vote.
Two blanks were cast.

Fourth balloting.
Henry E Insley received seven votes.
Royston S. Tilden received seven votes.
Two blanks were cast.

Fifth balloting—
Henry E. Insley received nine votes.
Royston S. Tilden received six votes.
One blank was cast.

Whereupon Henry E. Insley having received the requisite

number of votes was declared appointed Collector of Arrears of Taxes.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the board proceeded to the appointment of Collector of Assessments.

The same tellers acted.

Three ballotings were had which resulted as follows:

First balloting—

Hugh McComb received seven votes.

Royston S. Tilden received seven votes.

Jacob Z. Marinus received one vote.

One blank was cast.

Second balloting—

Hugh McComb received seven votes.

Royston S. Tilden received eight votes.

One blank was cast.

Third balloting—

Hugh McComb received nine votes.

Royston S. Tilden received six votes

One blank was cast.

Whereupon Hugh McComb having received the requisite number of votes was declared appointed Collector of Assessments.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the board proceeded to the appointment of a City Physician for the First and Second wards.

Aldermen Earle and Warner were appointed and acted as tellers.

Two ballotings were had which resulted as follows:

First balloting—

Waters Burrows received eight votes.

John E. Quidor received eight votes.

Second balloting—

Waters Burrows received seven votes.

John E Quidor received nine votes.

Whereupon John E. Quidor having received the requisite number of votes was declared appointed City Physician for the First and Second Wards.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the board proceeded to the appointment of a City Physician for the Third and Fourth wards.

The same tellers acted.

Two ballotings were had which resulted as follows:

First balloting—

Philip M. Senderling received seven votes.

Theodore F. Morris received eight votes.

One blank was cast.

Second bolloting—

Theodore F. Morris received seven votes.

Philip M. Senderling received nine votes.

Whereupon Philip M Senderling having received the requisite number of votes was declared appointed City Physician for the Third and Fourth wards.

On motion of Alderman McLaughlin the Board proceeded to the appointment of Constable for the Third ward to fill the vacancy occasioned by the declination of Henry Amsden.

Aldermen Brown and Christie were appointed and acted as Tellers.

Ballotings were had which resulted as follows:

First balloting—

Bernard McAnally received eight votes.

Seven blanks were cast.

Second balloting—

Bernard McAnally received eight votes.

Eight blanks were cast.

On motion of Alderman Tilden the board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday, May 10, 1859, at 7½ o'clock p.m.

Present—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

The minutes of the regular meeting of May 3, 1859, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, &c., were presented, received and disposed of as follows :

Petition of Patrick Riley to have Provost street, between South Second street and Pavonia avenue including intersections filled to the established grade, curbed, guttered, &c. Referred to Committee on Streets.

Petition of Patrick Riley to have the Alley-way between South 6th and South 7th streets running from Coles street to Monmouth street, paved, curbed and guttered. Referred to Committee on Streets.

Petition of Henry Litchild and others owners of property on Newark avenue, to have said avenue from Warren to Grove streets raised to the established grade with the side walks on both sides, also the cross walks, curbs and gutters. Ref. to the Committee on Streets:

Petition of Louis Shunk and Patrick Maloney for licenses to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables. Ref. to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of H. M. Traphagan and others for the appointment af George W. Gardner as Street Commissioner. Laid upon the table.

Petitions of Bernard Harney, Jonathan H. Baldwin, and Edward Wheelan to be appointed policemen for the First Ward. Ref. to Aldermen of the First Ward.

Petition of Michael Kennedy to be appointed policeman for the Third Ward. Ref. to Aldermen of the Third Ward.

Petions of Charles P. Seeley, Daniel Boyle, Henry P. Robertson, John English, Daniel Tyler and James B. Canning to be appointed policeman for the Fourth Ward. Ref. to the Aldermen of the Fourth Ward.

Petition of Levi W. Towle to be appointed aid to the Chief of Police. Laid upon the table.

Resignation of Stephen Quaife of the Office of Assessor for the 3d and 4th Ward. Accepted and ordered filed.

Declination by James Wakefield, of the office of Constable for the Second Ward. Received and ordered filed.

Official bond of Jaques V. Hardenbergh as Comptroler, with Erastus Randall and Charles Fink as sureties. Referred to the Corporation Attorney.

Official bond of William Whitley as Overseer of the Poor, with Robert B. Kashow and George S. Gardner as sureties Referred to the Corporation Attorney.

Official bond of William Birkbeck, as Water Commissioner with William Keeney and George E. Cutter as sureties. Referred to the Corporation Attorney.

Official bond of Richard D. McClelland as Corporation Attorney, with William Keeney and Bernard Hughes as sureties. Referred to Committee on Laws and Ordinances.

Official bond of Philo Snow, as Constable with Chas. Keenan and John B. Haight as sureties with the endorsement of the Corporation Attorney as to its being drawn in legal form. Approved and ordered filed.

Official bond of Jacob Z. Marinus, as Chief of Police with Francis Jenkins and Brinton B. Grinnell as sureties, with the endorsement of the Corporation Attorney as to its being drawn in legal form. Approved and ordered filed.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh it was—

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to wait upon His Honor the Mayor, and inform him that the Board is organized and ready to receive any communication he may desire to present.

Aldermen Hardenbergh, Tilden and McLaughlin were appointed the committee who retired, and subsequently returned and reported that the Mayor was not at home.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Of William B. Dunning, $20 19, $7 56, $5 04, $4 83, $4 81, $3 88, $3 64 and $1 80. Referred to Committee on streets.

Of Robert B. Kashow, $37 50, and William B. Dunning, $2 53. Referred to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of William B. Dunning, $18 47, and Samuel Hamilton, $10 00. Referred to the Committee on Salaries, Offices and Elections.

Of Henry A. Miller, $62 32, and William B. Dunning, 87 cents. Ref. to the Committee on Lamps.

Of William B. Dunning, $17 85, $6 32 and $1 80. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Of Hugh Reilly, $22 06. Referred to the Committee on Alms.

Of John Marshall, $11 59. Referred to the Committee on Fire and Water.

Of William B. Dunning, $10 56. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Of William B. Dunning, 78 cents. Referred to the Committee on Public Health.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct, and ordered paid, viz. :

Of Henry A. Miller, $64 69 ; Michael McGuire, $52 ; Adrian B. Reynolds, $39 36 ; Patrick Parney, $37 50 ; Patrick Garvey, $24 ; Robert Pointon, $20 ; Edward D. Reily, $16 92, and John White, $9 50.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz. :

Of Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Co., $1,619 31; Police Department, $1,264 12 ; John Wilson, $269 98 ; Peter D. Vroom, $125 ; Jacob Erwin, $123 25; Thomas Gaffney, $106 ; Waters Burrows, $100 ; Drayton and Durant, $95 60 ; Fidelity Division, $75 ; Joseph H. Rommel, $59 ; Nathaniel Ellis, $41 66 ; Nathaniel Ellis $38 75 ; Jasper Waudle, $31 25 and $31 25 ; Joseph B. Stone, $30 ; John Coar, $30 ; Delos L. Culver, $21 35 ; Mrs Ann Eaton $17 50; Hugh Billingsley $17 50 ; David Bedford, $13 ; J. F. Richardson, $12 ; I. B. & D. E. Culver, $10 ; William W. Lee, $8 81 ; John Coar, $7 40; Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Co. $4 06 ; P. N. Horsley, $2 63 and William Aumss, $1 18.

A communication was presented from the Street Commissioner stating that the stagnant water on all the lots on Newark Avenue between Warren street and Henderson and Prospect st. is a nuisance, &c., and recommending that a sewer on the Water Commissioners plan be immediately constructed on said Avenue from Warren to Henderson street. The communication was received and on motion of Alderman Thurston it was

Resolved, That the communication be referred to the committee on public health with power.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department containing returns of the following elections in and expulsion from said department confirmed by the Commissioners of the Fire Department.

Election of Thomas S. Holmes by Hose Co., No. 3, and William McKean by Engine Co. No. 1.

Expulsion of William H. Nolan from Engine Co. No. 1.

The communications were received and the action of the commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department was approved and confirmed.

The following statement of the Board of Canvassers of the result of the recent election held in the Fire Department for a Chief Engineer, four Assistant Engineers and one Fire Commissioner was presented, received and ordered filed; and the elections were confirmed :

To the Hon. the Common Council :

This is to certify that at a meeting of the Board of Canvassers of the Jersey City Fire Department held at the City Clerk's office, Wednesday evening May 4th, 1859. The following persons were declared duly elected to the respective offices in the Jersey City Fire Department for the ensuing year :

For Chief Engineer—Samuel A. French.
Assistant Engineer, First Ward—Adrian B Reynolds.
Assistant " Second Ward—James McLaughlin
Assistant " Third Ward—John B. Haight.
Assistant " Fourth Ward—Patrick H. Nugent.
Fire Commissioner—James F. Fielder.

Respectfully yours,
JOHN D. NOLAN, Chairman,
F. P. BUDDEN, Secretary.
Board Canvassers.

Jersey City May 6th, 1859.

The official bond of Dennis Farrell, as Constable referred to the Corporation Attorney, May 3, 1859, was reported back by that officer as drawn in legal form and approved by him. The bond was approved and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of application of George McLaughlin and others, for construction of sewer in Newark avenue between Warren and Henderson streets, and the same was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of application of John J. Wanner and others, for construction of culvert and receiving basins on southeast corner of Greene and Grand streets, and the same was received and ordered filed.

The annual report of the Chief of Police, was presented, received and laid upon the table.

The report of the Recorder for the quarter ending April 30, 1859, was presented, received and laid upon the table.

The following requisition from the Board of Education was presented, received and warrants were ordered to be drawn on the Treasurer in favor of the claimants respectively named :

To the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City:

At a meeting of the Board of Education held on Monday evening, May 9, 1859,

It was resolved by the votes of all the members present the yeas and nays being taken,

That requisition be made upon the Common Council for the payment of the following claims:

John Van Vorst, rent of Colored School to May 1st, $18 75; Smith Mead, repairs to No. 2, $6 77; John Faulkner, for glazing, $1 75.

P. D. VROOM, Clerk.

Jersey City, May 10, 1859.

The Committee on Finance reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Clerk is hereby requested to publish in the corporation paper for the length of time required by law a list of property sold by this corporation, July 29, 1857, for unpaid assessments, and also a list of property sold July 28, 1857, for water rents of 1856.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred, May 3, 1859, the claim of John Coar, amounting to $535, for one quarter's salary for cleaning the streets to June 1st, 1859, presented a report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the claim of John Coar for cleaning streets to June 1st, 1859, be laid upon the table until the first meeting of this Board in June.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred May 3, 1859, the petitions of Phil. Snow, Benjamin G. Hann and Alexander Love, to be appointed to the office of Street Commissioner, presented a report thereon recommending that in the selection of a Street Commissioner a competetent and experienced man be selected for the office.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Licenses, to whom was referred May 3, 1859, the petition of Bernard McElroy for a license to keep a junk-shop at No. 312 South 8th street, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license to keep a junk-shop at No. 312 South 8th street, Jersey City, be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to Bernard McElroy, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas.—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Heffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden and Warner.

Nays—President Van Voast and Aldermen Hardenbergh, Tharston and Tilden.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred May 3, 1859, the petition of Matthew O'Donnell, for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk under the corporate seal of the city to Matthew O'Donnell, on his paying the licence fees required by the Ordinance relating to such licenses.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred May 3, 1859 the petition of Michael Eagen for a license to peddle meat fish fruit and vegetables presented a favorable report thereon accompained by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license to vend meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk under the Corporate Seal of the city to Michael Eagan on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred May 3, 1859 the petition of William Mollet for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables, presented a favorable report theron, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk under the corporate seal of the city to William Mollet on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licences.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred May 3, 1859, the petition of William Rowlands for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables, be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the corporate seal of the city to William Rowlands on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Earle and adopted:

Resolved, That the remonstrance of Robert C. Bacot, presented April 19th, 1859, against the confirmation of the assessment for the regulation of Morgan street, between Grove and Prospect streets, be taken from the table and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Earle and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Alms are hereby authorised to advertise for proposals to supply the alms department with provisions, fuel, &c., for the year commencing June 1st, 1859.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted;

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be requested to report a tax ordinance on the evening of the first regular meeting in June.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Brown and was laid upon the table on motion of Alderman Tilden:

Whereas application has been made to this Board to build a sewer on Newark avenue between Henderson and Warren streets, and whereas, said application has been advertised in due form for objections thereto, and whereas, also, the public health, as well as the interests and rights of property holders requires a sewer to drain said Avenue. Therefore—

Resolved, That the Water Commissioners are hereby authorized and directed to build a sewer on the Water Commissioners plan, to drain the whole of said Avenue between Henderson and Warren streets.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Brown and adopted:

Resolved, That the bids or proposals for the improvement of South Second street and Warren street sidewalk, with fifty feet on Morris street, be taken from the table and referred to the Committee on Streets, with authority to report to this Common Council a contract with the lowest bidders.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Tilden and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on sewers be, and they are hereby empowered to expend a sum not to exceed three hundred dollars for cleaning and repairing the sewers in this city.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hankins and adopted:

Resolved that the City Attorney be requested to prepare a duplicate of the contract and plans and specifications, made between this Common Council and Hunt & Armstrong, for the erection of a Station House and Bell Tower, and have the same filed in the office of the Clerk of this county, in order to protect the city against the provisions of the Mechanic's lien law of this State, and that said Attorney be authorized to employ Stephen Quaife, architect, to draw copies of such plans, provided that the bond of Hunt & Armstrong be first executed according to law, for the faithful performance of the contract.

Alderman McLaughlin presented the following resolution, accompanied by eight claims of M. Sharp, referred to the committee on fire and water, April 5, 1859.

Resolved, That the bills of M. Sharp, referred to the committee on fire and water at the meeting of this Board held April 5, 1859, be returned for the reason that a bill for said amount was ordered paid at a previous meeting of the Board.

The resolution was adopted.

The following resolutions were offered by Alderman McLaughlin and adopted:

Resolved, That notice be given by the City Clerk in the corporation paper that all persons to be licensed under the "Ordinance concerning Inns and Taverns," must apply for the same before the first day of July next by leaving the same at the City Clerk's office, with the necessary requirements of the ordinance, and by leaving a deposit of the amount of license tax, to be returned if not granted, and further,

Resolved, That said license be for one year, from June 1st, and that the Common Council will grant no other license except from amongst those applied for and within the time aforesaid.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Earle and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings be requested to cause the trees along the streets to be cleaned, as usual at this season, for the destruction of worms, at an expense not exceeding two hundred dollars.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted:

Resolved, That the several committees of the Common Council be requested to report to the Committee on Finance their several estimates for the ensuing year.

On motion of Alderman Tilden, the petition of Mich'l Mullone, presented April 19th, 1859, for the construction of a sewer in Greene street from Montgomery street to connect with the sewer in Wayne street, &c., was taken from the table and referred to the Committee on Sewers

On motion of Alderman Hankins, the Board proceeded to the appointmens of Street Commissioner.

Aldermen Hoffman and Brown were appointed and acted as tellers.

Five ballotings were had which resulted as follows:

First balloting—
Alexander Love received three votes.
Philo Snow, received four votes.
James S. Hutton, received two votes.
Richard R. Rappleyea, received one vote.
Phineas C. Dummer, received three votes.
Benjamin Hann, received one vote.
John D. Nolan, received two votes.

Second balloting—
Alexander Love, received three votes.
Philo Snow, received two votes.
James S. Hutton, received three votes.
Phineas C. Dummer, received two votes.
John D. Nolan received four votes.
Benjamin Hann, received one vote.

Third balloting—
Alexander Love, received three votes.
Philo Snow, received seven votes.
James S. Hutton, received three votes.
John D. Nolan, received three votes.

Fourth balloting—
Philo Snow, received seven votes.
John D. Nolan, received two votes.
Alexander Love, received two votes.
James S. Hutton, received four votes.
Phineas C. Dummer, received one vote.

Fifth balloting—
Philo Snow, received nine votes.
James S. Hutton, received one vote.
John D. Nolan, received four votes.
Alexander love, received two votes.

Whereupon Philo Snow having received the requisite number of votes, was declared appointed Street Commissioner.

On motion of Alderman Hankins, the Board proceeded to the appointment of a Board of Commissioners for Assessments.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh, the rule requiring a balloting was suspended, and on his motion, the following gentlemen were *viva voce* unanimously appointed such Board of Commissioners for Assessments:

David Gould for the First Ward,
Jacob A. Van Buskirk for the Second Ward,
James S. Hutton for the Third Ward,
James Narine for the Fourth Ward.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the Board proceeded to the appointment of a Superintendent of Ferries, Wharves and Piers.

On motion of Alderman Tilden, the rule requiring a balloting was suspended to enable the Board to make the appointment *viva voce*.

Whereupon on motion of Alderman Decker, Joseph H. Rommel was unanimously appointed *viva voce* Superintendent of Ferries, Wharves and Piers.

On motion of Alderman McLaughlin, the Board proceeded to the appointment of a Constable for the Third Ward, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the declination of Henry Amsden.

The same Tellers acted.

Five ballotings were had which resulted as follows:

First balloting—
James Martin received five votes,
Bernard McAnally received six votes,
Five blanks were cast.

Second balloting—
John Smith received one vote,
Bernard McAnally received seven votes,
James Martin received seven votes,
One blank was cast.

Third balloting—
Bernard McAnally, received six votes.
James Martin, received seven votes.
Brown, received three votes.

Fourth balloting—
Bernard McAnally, received six votes.
James Martin, received eight votes.
One blank was cast.

Fifth balloting—
James Martin, received ten votes.
Bernard McAnally, received five votes.
One blank was cast.

Whereupon James Martin having received the requisite number of votes was declared appointed Constable.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the Board proceeded to the appointment of a Constable for the Second Ward to fill the vacancy occasioned by the declination of James Wakefield.

On motion of Alderman Brown the rule requiring a balloting was suspended to enable the Board to make the appointment *viva voce*.

Whereupon on motion of Alderman Tilden, John G. Haybeck was unanimously appointed viva voce, Constable.

On motion of Alderman Hankins, the Board proceeded to the appointment of a member of the Board of Education for the First Ward.

Alderman Clarke and Christie were appointed and acted as tellers.

Two ballotings were had which resulted as follows:

First balloting—
David Gould, received eight votes.
James S. Davenport, received five votes.
Three blanks were cast.

Second balloting—
James S. Davenport received seven votes,
David Gould received nine votes,

Whereupon David Gould was declared appointed a member of the Board of Education for the First Ward.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh, the Board proceeded to the appointment of a member of the Board of Education for the Second Ward.

The same Tellers acted.

A balloting was had which resulted as follows:

James Flemming received twelve votes,
Silas Condict received four votes.

Whereupon James Flemming was declared appointed a member of the Board of Education for the Second Ward.

On motion of Alderman Hankins, the Board proceeded to the appointment of a member of the Board of Education for the Third Ward.

The same Tellers acted.

A balloting was had which resulted as follows:

William L. Dickinson received twelve votes,
William J. Stitt received four votes.

Whereupon William L. Dickinson was declared appointed a member of the Board of Education for the Third Ward.

On motion of Alderman Tilden, the Board proceeded to the appointment of a member of the Board of Education for the Fourth Ward,

The same Tellers acted.

A balloting was had which resulted as follows:

Harvey M. Soule, received thirteen votes.
Wickware received one vote,
Lauder received one vote.
One blank was cast.

Whereupon Harvey M. Soule was declared appointed a member of the Board of Education for the Fourth Ward.

On motion of Alderman Hankins, the Board proceeded to the appointment of an assessor to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Stephen Quaife.

The same tellers acted.

Six ballotings were had which resulted as follows:

First balloting—
Alexander Hamilton received five votes.
Smith Mead, received six votes.
R. S. Tilden, received two votes.
James Narine, received two votes.
One blank was cast.

Second balloting—
Alexander Hamilton, received seven votes.
Smith Mead, received five votes.
James Narine, received two votes.
Two blanks were cast.

Third balloting—
Alexander Hamilton, received seven votes.
Smith Mead, received seven votes.
James Narine, received two votes.

Fourth balloting—
Alexander Hamilton, received eight votes.
Smith Mead, received eight votes.

Fifth balloting—
Alexander Hamilton, received eight votes.
Smith Mead, received eight votes.

Sixth balloting—
Alexander Hamilton, received eight votes.
Smith Mead, received eight votes.

On motion of Alderman Tilden, the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, May 17, 1859, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Decker, Earle, Edge, Haukins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Alderman Clarke.

The minutes of the regular meeting of May 10, 1859, were read and approved.

The President announced that by request of Aldermen Ogden and Earle their positions on the standing committees on alms, assessments and finance had been exchanged, and by unanimous consent the changes were agreed to by the Board.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Petition of Abraham Clark and others, owners of property on the northerly side of Railroad avenue, from Warren to Prospect street, to have said avenue between the points named, filled to grade, etc.

Ref. to Committee on Streets.

Petition of James Gaffney to keep a junk-shop at No. 63 Prospect street, in the second ward.

Ref. to Committee on Licenses.

Resignation of James Martin of the office of constable.

Accepted and ordered filed.

Petition of William Gumner and others, licensed junk shop keepers, for redress and unlicensed junk dealers interfering with their business.

Ref. to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of George McLaughlin and others for abatement of nuisance caused by stagnant water on blocks 74 and 75.

Ref. to the Committee on Public Health.

The official bond of Peter D. Vroom, as City Treasurer, with David Gould and J. Dickinson Miller as sureties. Ref. to the Corporation Attorney.

The following official bonds, were presented, referred to the corporation attorney—subsequently, reported back by that officer, as drawn in legal form, and said bonds were then approved and ordered filed.

Of John McGuigan, as Collector of Taxes, with John Van Vorst and Patrick Brady as sureties.

Of Philo Snow, as Street Commissioner, with Henry French and Samuel Hetherington as sureties.

Of George W. Cassedy, as City Clerk, with Jacob R. Wortendyke and Alexander H. Wallis as sureties.

Of Henry E. Insley, as Collector of Arrears of Taxes with John V. Brower and Nathaniel C. Jaquith as sureties.

Of William Whitley, as Overseer of the Poor, with R. B. Kashow and George S. Gardner as sureties.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz.:

Of Alexander Love $866 40, $261; Michael Kane, $35 12; Peter Curley, $16 50 and Charles Van Brunt $2.

Referred to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of Laurence Owens, $2 50 and Thomas Hanley $2,20.

Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Of Sylvester Keeney, $35 19 and John Warsey $8.

Referred to the Committee on Alms.

Of John G. Langston, $7 89. Referred to the Committee on Salaries, Offices and Elections.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and order paid, viz.:

Of James McLaughlin $87 50; Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Co., 53 14; R. B. Kashow, $37 50; Hugh Reilly, $22 06; W. B. Dunning, $18 47; John Marshall, $11 50; W. B. Dunning, $10 56; Samuel Hamilton $10; Stephen Quaile, $10; Japhet Jardine, $2 63 and W. B. Dunning, $2 52.

Alderman Earle returned the claims of W. B. Dunning, $1 65; Narine & Co., $2 50; Board of Commissioners for assessments $80 and C. Zabriski, $9, referred to the Committee on assessments of the late Common Council

The claims were referred to the Committee on Assessments.

The annual message of His Honor the Mayor was presented and ordered to be entered at large on the minutes of the Common Council, and five hundred copies ordered to be printed in pamphlet form with the accompanying documents under the direction of the City Clerk.

MAYOR'S MESSAGE.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, }
Jersey City, May 16th, 1859. }

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

Having, in my communication, made to you a year since, referred to many subjects for your deliberation, as much worthy of your consideration now as they were then, I shall endeavor to avoid elaborating the same subject at this time, but shall in the most concise manner make such further suggestions which I may deem "necessary or expedient for the welfare of the city."

But first of all, let me congratulate you on the ability with which you conducted the affairs of the city during the last year. It is a source of gratification to know that the people have such confidence in you as to re-elect nearly all of the members whose two years' term of service expired on the 1st instant, and also that with but two exceptions, the present Board is composed of members who have served in the Common Council before. So much experience in the government of the affairs of the city is seldom brought into requisition, and it is an earnest of your ability to continue to perform your duties with satisfaction to your constituents.

The Comptroller will lay before you his expose of the result of the tax levy of last year, and of the present state of the finances of the city. To this report, which will accompany this in publication, I refer you for all necessary details concerning them. In the Appendix will be found suggestions concerning the duties of this officer (A).

You will also find in the report of the Water Commissioners and their Engineer all that relates to our water supply The sewerage of the city, the water debt, and the loans in anticipation of assessments for building drains and sewers, which report will also probably accompany this in publication.

STAND PIPE AND WATER SUPPLY.

The Water Commissioners are building a stand pipe to enable the Cornish Engine to work with more power and ease. This necessity has been frequently recommended by former Commissioners. They have been obliged also, at considerable cost, to substitute an iron floor and beams, for the wood ones in the engine house, which has been so far destroyed as to be dangerous by the vapor and heat from the condenser. But the stand pipe the' auxiliary, is not to be considered a substitute for another engine, also recommended by the present and former Commissioners. Should the engine, now solely depended upon, get out of order, without a large surplus supply in the reservoirs, the consequence would be appalling, and the city be held to immense damages for the destruction which might occur in houses and workshops. The supply is only now kept up by working the engine about sixteen hours for five days in the week, leaving only one working day for repair. Having entered into an arrangement to supply the cities of Hoboken and Hudson, and the large increase and increasing demand for the water, as well as the waste, for which no satisfactory check has been adopted, not only a new engine, but an additional line of main pipe will have to be laid from reservoir to reservoir, and as this will take at least a year to accomplish, I think the subject too important to allow it to pass without urging you to provide by legislation at the next session of the legislature ample powers for doing the work. This I made the subject of a special communication to you on the fifteenth February last, but the session of the legislature was so far advanced, that the committee named for the purpose accomplished nothing. Their views are expressed in the paper marked B.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

In the tax levy of last year the sum of twelve thousand dollars was raised for the purpose of erecting a school building in the third ward to meet the rapidly increasing demands of popular education. No immediate step in that direction has yet been taken, and the amount remains unexpended. The city has purchased four lots for the purpose in Bright street, and your attention in connection with the Board of Education, is directed to that subject in order to relieve as early as possible, the present crowded state of the primary department in schools number one and two.

I also recommended to your attention and speedy action, the purchase of one or more lots, and the erection thereon of a suitable building for the use of the colored children of the city. This class of children demands your sympathy and efficient aid in their instruction. The room now occupied by them is entirely unsuited for such a school, and the location is also quite objectionable. Lots in the quarter where the parents of these children reside can be obtained at a moderate price and on reasonable terms, and a suitable building can be erected at a cost not to exceed one thousand dollars.

LICENCES.

I cannot urge upon you too strongly as the conservators of the public weal an early determination on your part as to the course to be pursued upon the matter of granting Licenses.

To this I referred more at length in my last message to your Board. If you shall determine upon granting licences to all such as shall pay, within a limited time, the required fee, and resolutely refuse to grant any application after the expiration of that time, I am of opinion you will lessen materially the traffic in intoxicating drinks. To such as refuse obedience to your ac-

tion, and act in defiance of authority, the laws and ordinances of the city should unhesitatingly apply, in justice to those who meet the requirements. As the nature of these licenses may be better understood, I shall add to the appendix a copy of the license granted and the bond received for it (C.) You will mark the stringency of the bond as to a violation of the Sabbath; the following are the words: "He shall close his bar on the first day of the week called Sunday, and shall not on that day sell, or offer for sale, or permit to be sold, on his premises any ardent spirits, Wine, Beer, Cider, or intoxicating drinks of any kind."

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

I have witnessed with great pleasure the active interest manifested by the members of the Fire Department in the efforts to supply the various houses erected for their use with valuable reading matter, and I congratulate them on the prompt response of our citizens during the season just past, in the establishment of popular lectures. Such efforts must tend greatly to elevate the tone of the Fire Department, and attract to its membership order-loving and conservative citizens.

Indispensable as a class to the safety and protection of our property from the most devastating of elements, whilst receiving from you all necessary aid, it is to be hoped a corresponding spirit may be manifested on their part in weighing well all expenditures under their control.

COFFEE HOUSES AND PUBLIC FOUNTAINS.

The proud stand thus taken by firemen, will, I trust, be emulated by other societies of young men. While these should press on their success of last year to still greater results, other young men should combine with them in forwarding these beneficial efforts to a more extended number.

To do so and maintain permanent success, they must combine to put down the social influences which destroy the life and prospects of so many of our promising youth. Leagues, offensive and defensive, (and with a steady purpose to avoid places where they may form habits that lead into intoxication) must be entered into.

In some places their influence has been the means of establishing houses of refreshment under the name of coffee-houses, which are pledged not to sell any kind of intoxicating drink whatever. To these only do they permit themselves to resort to or give custom.

I recommend to the Common Council the encouragement of such places at almost any expense to the city, as a means of preserving our youth from the temptation which is to be found in other places of resort.

The city can well afford to reward all such Coffee Saloons with a premium, equal to twice the sum derived from licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors, until the whole license tax is exhausted on a scale proportionate to the advantages observed, to be awarded at the end of the year, under proof established to the satisfaction of the Commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department. It may be a measure of influence which will destroy the business of the houses now too successful, where old men and young fall into habits next to impossibility to be shaken off.

Intimately connected with this endeavor is another akin and auxilartory to it. It is the placing, within convenient reach, drinking fountains on the public highways and ready of access to the laboring and other classes of citizens. If this will be the means of obviating the necessity and of breaking the habit of a resort to the nearest grog-shop, much good must flow from it. In other countries such fountains have been established by private munificence, and the attention of the public authorities have been turned to it in this. Formerly when City pumps were our only water supply, dippers were attached to the pumps for the use of the public, but since the introduction of water into every house, that plan has been dropped. You have all seen at the ferry in public use for more than a year the very thing desired. There can be no waste worth mentioning in the use of a self closing faucet, as this is. But the difficulty will be in keeping the supply cool during the Summer to attract its use.

The same plan can be adopted as will be found there. It may involve a small annual expense, but the attention of the police to its care, and ice supply during the Summer will insure a successful result. I recommend a trial of a few fountains of this sort, to be placed by the Water Commissioners along the principal thoroughfares of the laboring people. These can be made at the covered hydrant openings to be found on every block.

POLICE.

I have been desirous to have the police appointments made more permanent. I believe they should hold and continue in office for efficiency during good behavior, and not by an annual appointment by a doubtful method of selection. Their duties then should be enlarged and the pay if inadequate, be increased. It appears to me that they now act as if all their duties consisted in arresting disorderly and drunken persons, and in the performance of the services of watchmen during the night. This is well, as far as it goes, but the duties of a preventive and detective police in other cities extend much further. They not only arrest offenders, but they inform against all abuses of the laws and ordinances of the city—incumbrances on the streets, side walks and piers. The neglect to clean the streets, to prevent the deposit of offensive matter thereon, and of all things to the well ordering of the city, and to attend at fires and inform against any breach of the Sunday laws. Their services are to be efficient in aiding all branches of the city government. In the city of Paris, they have charge of paving, lighting, sweeping and watering the streets, quays and boulivards, as well as their other duties of spies and detectives.

COUPON AND SALE CERTIFICATES.

It may require an ordinance to establish the issue of Coupon bonds, for all loans where the term of the loan runs over a series of years. Such form of bond being merchantable by transfer without endorsement, and the interest collected without sending the bond for the purpose, are greatly preferred. Your city credit has been somewhat injured by adopting a different form. Bonds now out should be exchanged for coupion bonds, and I recommend that the Clerk be authorized to prepare for your adoption a form of bond for substitution.

Unless you examine the sales at the Clerk's office and notice the labor and expense entailed on the clerk in the preparing, sealing and executing the deeds for such sales, requiring some labor from the Mayor also in executing them, you can have no idea of what can be saved in labor and expense, as well as to prevent unnecessary record and searches, by the substitution of a short receipt certificate to the purchasers.

This receipt to be exchanged for a deed of sale if not redeemed, and if redeemed the receipt to be exchanged for the redemption money. I hope to see this remedy, provided, without delay.

BELGIAN PAVEMENT.

Between three and four thousand dollars were expended in repairing the pavements of the streets in each of the two last years, most of which was spent in the leading thoroughfares of the city, and the same amount seems to be needed for the current year. The Belgian pavement is found to require no such repairs, and when well laid on a well prepared foundation, will last for ten or more years without requiring any further expense upon it. I recommend that you adopt at once this kind of stone in place of the round stone heretofore solely used for paving the streets. For all streets not heretofore paved it may be sufficient, to pave only a part of the carriage way with it. But on the great travelled highways the carriage way should be covered with it entirely.

It will cost twenty-five thousand dollars to replace the present round stone pavement in Newark avenue with Belgian pavement, to extend from Hudson to Grove st. This may be done and the expense of it cancelled in the tax levy in five years without it being felt as a burden.

ARCADES.

You cannot but have noticed with satisfaction the extensive improvements which have been made during the past year on the avenue to the ferry. I call your attention more particularly to the permanent arcade or covered walk, of about three hundred and forty feet in length on the north side of the avenue.

It seems to me to be a model which should be adopted as a substitute in all business streets, for the unsightly sheds and miscellaneous awnings which meet our eyes in every direction where retail business is carried on. Such a continuous arcade, or covered way, extending through the whole distance of Newark avenue, and uniformly along blocks of other business streets, would be ornamental to the city and highly useful to the public. The erection of them should be encouraged.

EXTENSION OF GAS SUPPLY.

The Gas company, having a monopoly of our streets, should be required to extend a supply to reach every public lamp in the city. During the past year we have been compelled to use a large number of camphene lamps and at a considerable expense, on account of the want of gas pipes to yield the necessary supply of gas.

COST OF INSURANCE.

I suggest to you the importance of an investigation, to be made by the Commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department, as to the cost of the support of our Fire Department, compared with other places; and also the loss by fire since the introduction of water, compared with losses elsewhere.

As insurance is as much a tax as any ordered by you it is important for our property owners to know how much lower the cost of insurance ought to be in our city than in many other places where protection against destruction by fire is less efficient.

WOODEN BUILDINGS.

You have on your table a proposed ordinance, not yet acted on relative to the erection of wooden buildings. This ordinance proposes to authorize a majority of lot owners in each block to determine whether any wood building shall be erected thereon. I last year urged this subject on your attention with the hope that you would establish what is termed a fire limit, but as this ordinance leaves the owners interested, discretionary powers, I hope you will have no difficulty in adopting it.

DELAYED COLLECTIONS.

The city debt is kept larger than it ought to be on account of the delaying collecting many of the assessments some of which have been due for some years.

This delay tends to ultimate loss. I hope the Comptroller will be instructed to push forward the collections by a sale, if no other means remains.

CONCENTRATION OF THE PUBLIC OFFICES.

Those persons having dealings with the officers of the city, feel the annoyance of finding their places of business. They are scattered about without regard to convenience of the occupants, or those having business with them. Even in hiring tenements for their accommodation they can be brought nearer together than they are now This arrangement seems to have been entirely over-looked. The difficulty should be corrected without delay.

ALTERATIONS OF THE CITY CHARTER.

For the last three years the Common Council, through committees, have had under consideration the remodelling of the city government [see paper E].

These labors have presented the subject in various aspects without reaching any final result. There have been causes for this: Since the organization of the present city government, incorporating within its boundaries the township of Van Vorst, the city has doubled its population, and the wards are now unequally represented. With the belief that the boundaries would be extended still further, and new arrangements be found necessary, this has been one cause to arrest progress in the adoption of the proposed amendments.

There are advocates now for the extension of the limits, so as to embrace in one city government, those now controlling Jersey City, Hoboken and Hudson, and extending the southern limit to include the whole or part of Communipaw and a border strip of Bergen. It is urged that this must shortly take place, and that under one united government, harmony would be best promoted in their interests in water supply, drainage, and all other beneficial sanitary necessities. Whether this be accomplished in a shorter or a longer time there is a great necessity for some change in the present government of the city, which the expanded government, when it occurs, will reap the benefit of. The experience of all who have been concerned in the government of cities is, that national politics have too much influence in the election and selection of their rulers.

This experience also shows that the people are harrassed with too frequent changes in the management of the affairs of the city. The consequence of which is the election often of incompetent and irresponsible persons to fill offices of trust. These occupy place but a short time, and by their ignorance, or some influences, are improvident in city affairs. This has resulted in the increase of city taxes in many places at an unexampled rate. On looking over the recommendation of others, [see paper F] also occupying a similar position to myself, I find but one sentiment prevailing, and that is, that the Constitution of the United States presents the best model that can be adopted. They all speak of the necessity of giving more power to the head of the city government, and that he may use it for permanent results, his term of office should be increased to two or more years. He should be clothed with power to nominate to office, his nominations to be subject to the approval of the Common Council. These nominations to be held during good behaviour, but to expire with the term of the Mayor. Under the present charter, there are some officers elected, who would be much better appointed, and there are others which should be amalgamated into others. It is important to give regular employment, and consequently adequate compensation to city officers, which will entitle the city to be well served.

The services of the judges of our charter election have become so arduous, enduring as I witnessed at the recent election during a continuous application of thirty-six hours, that it is a wonder, that trustworthy and responsible citizens, alone, to be trusted with this important service, can be found willing to accept the trust The revisors of the charter, appointed by you in 1853, proposed as a remedy for this excessive application by the substitution of the use of two ballots, one to contain the names of the city officers voted for, and the other those of the county, and also the use of an additional ballot box. The canvass of the city ticket to be gone through with directly after the close of the polls, leaving the other to be canvassed next day. If, however, a change be made doing away with the necessity of electing so many persons, the labor will be greatly relieved.

If no other plan be adopted to lay before you prior to the meeting of the legislature, the alterations suggested by past experience, I propose to arrange the work of these committees and present the same for your consideration.

THE POOR.

I cannot urge too strongly on your attention the importance of uniting with the other cities and townships in Hudson County, in the use and control of the farm at Snake Hill, on the Hackensack River, commonly known as the Bergen Poorhouse Farm. Access to it is readily had by the Paterson Railroad. The quarry of stone will give constant employment to the able-bodied poor sent there, and the ground is capable of yielding a considerable support to an institution from its cultivation. Its isolated position will guard the inmates from indulgences which are found in city locations, and it will tend to keep in check the demand for out door relief to the poor which is a growing source of taxation in the whole county.

JUVENILE DELINQUENTS.

Another subject equally demanding county action is some provision for boys arrested and convicted of crime. The state prison is not the place for this class of persons and if punished by confinement in the county jail little or no reform can be expected, where they mix with men hardened in wrong doing. The state has made provision for boarding the blind and deaf and dumb in kindred institutions in adjoining states, and similar provision may be obtained for juvenile delinquents. But the state ought to provide a house of refuge for them, where they may be trained to usefulness. Until this is done it is desirable that a number of counties combine to provide for such as are arrested in their respective counties. Essex, Passaic, Union and Hudson counties would find it to their interest to unite on some plan to support a Reformatory Asylum for this purpose. As a border county, opposite to a large and growing city, we are daily over-run with marauders of all ages, and it is a lamentable fact that with the exception of the county of Essex, the county of Hudson sends more persons to the state prison than any other county in the state.

SANITARY.

It was my privilege to attend as a delegate from this State, the Third Annual Meeting of the National Sanitary and Quarantine Convention recently held in the city of New Yoyk. The investigations made and reports submitted on internal Hygiene of cities as well as the causes and spread of fevers and other pestilences, will go far to impress upon legislators the importance of local improvements, and rigid sanitary regulations to preserve the health and prolong the life of the inhabitants. From these valuable reports on cleansing, paving, sewering, ventilation and other precautions of disease and health promoting influences, I am convinced that it remains almost entirely with local authorities whether we shall give birth and sustenance to pestilences; or these terrors to a community be kept away and banished entirely from us. Of any influence I may possess in performing public service, I am the most anxious on this subject. Measures for other objects may be temporary, and in time may be dispensed with. But public health is of the greatest consequence. Sanitary measures cannot be too rigidly enforced or be too much under consideration. To rid a community of fevers and diseases is a permanent good to the masses. We have around us marshes, which if not improved as public parks, and by drainage, will engender a malaria, which will be a fruitful source of unusual sickness and death among us.

We reside in a city which must grow at least in the same ratio with the growth of the city of New York. It is estimated on the result of the growth of that city to this time, that at the end of twenty one years that city will contain two millions of inhabitants.

What at that time will be the growth of the County of Hudson, is of course conjectural. We may calculate that from Fort Lee to Bergen Point, a distance of sixteen miles, there will be found at least two hundred thousand inhabitants, whether embraced under one city government, it is not now my object to surmise.

But arrangement of water supply, drainage, parks, and all other objects to promote health must be provided for all the territory thus occupied. In the appendix I have quoted freely from these reports.

All which is respectfully submitted,

D. S. GREGORY, Mayor.

A communication from the Commissioners of the Fire Department nominating Francis P. Budden as Clerk to said Board, was presented, received, and Francis P. Budden was unanimously appointed such clerk.

The official bond of William Whitley, as Overseer of the Poor, referred to the Corporation Attorney, May 10,

1859, was reported back by that officer as not drawn in legal form. The bond was ordered to be returned to Mr. Whitley.

The official bond of J. V. Hardenberg, as Comptroller, referred to the Corporation Attorney, May 3, 1859, was reported back by that officer as drawn in legal form.—The bond was approved and ordered filed.

The official bond of William Birkbeck as Water Commissioner, referred to the Corporation Attorney, May 10, 1859, was reported back by that officer as drawn in legal form. The bond was laid upon the table, subsequently taken up, and referred to the committee on Finance.

The annual estimate of the Board of Education of the amount of money which will be required during the fiscal year for school purposes, was presented, received, and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The annual report of the Board of Education was presented, received and ordered to be published in pamphlet form, in conjunction with the Mayor's message.

Communications were presented and received from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, enclosing returns of the following elections and resignations in said Department, confirmed by the Commissioners of the Fire Department:

Elections of John Doyle and Robert J. Johnston by Hose Co. No. 1.

George Warren by Hook & Ladder Co. No. 2. Jacob Schmidt by Engine Co. No. 3.

Resignations of E. B. Earle and James W. Hall from Hose Co. No. 1.

George Brown from Hook and Ladder Co. No. 2.

George Sheets, Jacob Ringle and Morris Lawler from Engine Co. 4.

The communications were received and the action of the Commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department was approved and confirmed.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred March 1st, 1859, the petition of Brown Brothers & Co., in relation to their property sold to the City Treasurer, on the 27th July, 1855, for taxes of 1854, presented a report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That Messrs. Brown Brothers & Co. have the privilege of redeeming lots Nos. 27, 28, 29 and 30 block 149, sold to the City Treasurer, for taxes of 1854 and 1855, by paying the amount of taxes, interest and costs due thereon for the taxes of 1854 and 1855, and that the City Comptroller be instructed to make an equitable division or apportionment of the same.

Resolved, That the sale of lots No. 25 and 26 be cancelled of record by the City Clerk.

The report was received and the resolution adopted:

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred March 15, 1859, the petition of the Rev. J. Kelly, Pastor of St. Peter's Church, in relation to the sale of Church property for taxes, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That sum of fifty six dollars and ninety six cents with interest at rate of seven per cent from date of sale be returned to Benjamin O. Edge, and that the sale be cancelled of record.

Resolved, That the City Clerk be instructed to advertise the property described, as "9 and 10, and Hall Grand Street" block 31, assessed to J. F. Tripple, for taxes of 1853, said taxes not having been paid, and described erroneously at the time of the sale for taxes, March 23, 1857.

The report were received and the resolutions were adopted.

The Committee on Finance presented a report and the following resolution attached to a communication from Peter D. Vroom on behalf of John B. Vroom, purchaser of lot 36 in block 48, at tax sale of March 23, 1857 for taxes of 1856.

Resolved, That the declaration of sale for the purchase of lot 36 block 48, be cancelled of record and that the amount of $21 82, paid by John B. Vroom as purchaser be returned to him by the City Treasurer with interest at the rate of seven per cent per annum.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred May 3, 1859, the communication from E. B. Bishop, asking payment of improvement certificate held by him past due—presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be and are hereby authorized to negotiate a loan of three thousand three hundred and twenty dollars and ninety-two cents in payment of improvement certificate No. 178, issued to Wm. A. Cumming, for the regulation of Prospect st. from Newark avenue to Pavonia avenue, and that upon the requisition of the Committee on Finance, the City Clerk be instructed to issue an improvement bond or bonds for said amount bearing interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum, and that His Honor the Mayor of the city be requested to sign the same with the City Clerk. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Alderman Clarke.

The Committee on Laws and Ordinances, to whom was referred, May 3, 1859, the official bond of Richard D. McClelland, as Corporation Attorney, presented a report that the said bond is drawn and executed in legal form, and the sureties sufficiently good. The report was received, and the bond approved and ordered filed.

The Committee on Assessments, to whom was referred, May 10, 1859, the remonstrance of Robert C. Bacot against the confirmation of the assessment for regulating Morgan street, from Grove to Prospect street, presented a report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That two per cent. be added for Collector's fees to the amount of the assessment for regulating Morgan street, from Grove to Prospect street, and that said assessment be confirmed. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Van Vorst, Aldermen Brown, Christie, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden, Warner.

Nays—none.

Absent—Alderman Clarke.

The Committee on Alms to whom was refereed May 3, 1859, the claim of Hugh Reilly amounting to $22 06, for oats, meal, &c. for alms house department, presented a report thereon, setting forth that a duplicate of the claim was by their request presented on the 10th inst., which was audited this evening. The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred May 10, 1859, the proposals of James S. Noyes, James F. Fielder, John Wilson and Charles Guidt for the contract to regulate, &c. South Second street from Newark avenue to Provost street, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the contracts which have been executed by James S. Noyes, for filling, flagging, curbing, guttering, paving &c. South Second street from the east side of Provost street to the easterly side of Newark avenue be executed on the part of the city by His Honor the Mayor and by the City Clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, that the bond for the faithful fulfillment of said contract be approved and filed, and that the bonds which accompanied the rejected proposals be returned to the principals named therein. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred May 10, 1859, the proposals of John Wilson, James F. Fielder and James S. Noyes, for the contract to flag Warren st., side walk &c., presented a report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution,

Resolved, That the contracts which have been executed by John Wilson for flagging the side walk on the west side of Warren street between Morris and Essex streets and north side of Essex street fifty feet from Warren street be executed on the part of the city by His Honor the Mayor and by the City Clerk under the corporate seal of the city, and that the bond for the faithful fulfilment of said contract be approved and filed. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Sewers, to whom was referred, March 15, 1859, the application of John J. Wanner and others, for the construction of a culvert and receiving basin on southeast corner of Greene and Grand streets, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas an application was made to the Common Council of Jersey City, at its meeting, held March 15, 1859, for the construction of a culvert and receiving basin on the southeast corner of Greene and Grand streets the same to connect with the sewer in Grand street; and a time for hearing on its merits of all parties interested in said application, having been appointed before the appropriate Committee of said Common Council, due notice of the appointment of which time and place for a hearing was duly published in the Jersey City papers for the length of time required by law, and no party or parties having objected to the construction of said culvert and receiving basin,

Therefore resolved, That a culvert and receiving basin be constructed on the southeast corner of Greene and Grand streets, to connect with the sewer in Grand St., and that the City Clerk be directed to give notice of this determination of the Common Council to the Board of Water Commissioners. The report was received.

The preamble and resolution were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Van Vorst, Aldermen Brown, Christie, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden, and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Alderman Clarke.

The Committee on Sewers to whom was referred May 10, 1859, the petition of Michael Mullone, for the construction of a sewer in Greene street, from Montgomery street to connect with the Wayne street sewer, presented a report recommending that the petition be referred to the Board of Water commissioners, and that the said Board be requested to furnish the estimate and description prescribed in the sewer ordinance. The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Sewers to whom was referred May 3, 1859, the petition of John N. Fiacre, and others for the construction of a sewer in South 7th st from the intersection of Newark avenue to the easterly side of Prospect street, presented a report thereon, recommending that the petition be referred to the Board of Water Commissioners and that the said Board be requested to furnish the estimate and description prescribed in the sewer ordinance. The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Sewers presented a report adverse to building a sewer in Newark avenue & Warren street under the application of George McLaughlin and others presented to the Common Council March, 15, 1859. The report was received and laid upon the table.

Alderman McLaughlin moved that a hearing before the Board be now granted to Charles F. Durant, one of the parties interested in the application; he desiring to be heard.

The President decided that the motion was not in order upon the ground that the rules and orders of the Common Council do not allow a party not a member of the same a personal hearing before the Board

Alderman Hardenbergh appealed from the decision of the chair.

The decision of the chair was sustained by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Alderman Earle :

Yeas—Aldermen Christie, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin Ogden, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—Alderman Brown, Edge, Hardenbergh and Thurston.

Absent—Alderman Clarke.

Alderman McBride from the Committee on Licenses to which was referred May 10, 1859, the petition of Louis Shunk, for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables, presented a report signed by himself alone in favor of granting the prayer of the petitioner, accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk under the corporate seal of the city to Louis Shunk, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

On motion of Alderman Edge the rule which requires all reports to be signed by a majority of a committee was suspended and the report was received and the resolution adopted.

Alderman McBride from the Committee on Licenses to which was referred May 3 1859, the petition of Patk. Maloney, for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables, presented a report signed by himself alone, in favor of granting the prayer of the petitioner, accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the corporate seal of the city to Patrick Maloney, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

On motion of Alderman Brown the rule which requiries all reports to be signed by a maiority of a committee was suspended and the report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Salaries, Offices and Elections, presented the following entitled ordinance, and the same was receivrd and laid upon the table, viz. :

" An ordinance fixing salaries for eighteen hundred and fifty-nine and eighteen hundred and sixty.

On motion of Alderman Tilden it was

Resolved, That the members of this Board will informally meet at the City Clerk's office, on Thursday evening the 19th instant, at 7½ o'clock P. M. for the purpose of hearing all parties interested in the application to build a sewer in Newark Avenue.

The following preamble and resolutions were presented by Alderman Thurston and adopted :

Whereas the Northern Railroad of New Jersey, are desirous of opening their road on the 26th instant, on the line of the New York and Erie Rail Road, and are under the necessity of continuing on the track of said Erie Rail Road, for the present, to their terminus at Jersey City, rendering some additional facilities and extensions of tracks near their Jersey City Station desirable,

Be it therefore Resolved, That the above subject be referred to the Street Committee with power.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Brown and adopted :

Resolved, That all unfinished business from the old Board now on the table be taken up and referred to their appropriate committees.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted :

Resolved, That permission be given to William G. Murray to make improvements in the southwest corner of Washington square, provided such be done with the advice and consent of the Committee on Public Ground and Buildings.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Brown and rejected :

Resolved, That the petitions of Samuel Wescott and others and Dudley S. Gregory and others for the privilege of laying horse railroad tracks through the streets of Jersey City, presented April 5, 1859, be taken from the table and referred to the committee on streets, and that the said committee be instructed to publish notice of a time and place for a hearing all parties interested in said applications.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Hankins :

Resolved, That the rule requiring a balloting be suspended, and that James Martin, who works in Powell's carpenter's shop in Prospect st., is hereby appointed a Constable to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Henry Amsden for the third ward.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Alderman Hankins :

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Christie, Decker, Earle, Hankins, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—Aldermen Brown, Hardenbergh and Hoffman.

Absent—Aldermen Clarke and Edge.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Thurston and adopted :

Resolved, That the Committee on Streets be and are hereby authorized to advertise for proposals for laying down 10,000 yards Belgian pavement, more or less, and furnishing sand for the same, and report the same to this Board.

The following entitled ordinance was presented by Alderman Edge, and laid upon the table, viz :

"An ordinance amendatory of an ordinance entitled an ordinance to establish, regulate and control a day and night Police, approved September 4. 1855."

On motion of Alderman Brown, the following entitled ordinance, presented and laid upon the table April 5th, 1859, was taken up for consideration, viz. :

An ordinance amendatery of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance declaring nuisances," passed, notwithstanding the objections of his Honor the Mayor, July 15 1856.

Alderman Brown moved to amend the ordinance by adding the following as an additional section.

And be it further ordained. That in case of any sunken lots within the limits of Jersey City, which according to this ordinance or any other ordinance of this City, are declared to be or to be considered as nuisances —and the owners of which lots, and their agents —(if any)—reside out of the limits of Jersey City, the Street Commissioner shall under the direction of the Committee on Streets have full power and authority to fill up the said lot or lots, and in this or any other way to abate such nuisance, the expenses of which filling up or abatement shall be assessed upon the lot or lots, so filled up or abated, and be a lien thereon in the same manner as any other assessment.

The amendment was adopted by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Alderman Edge.

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Edge, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner,

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Decker Earle, Hankins, and Hardenbergh.

Absent—Alderman Clarke.

The ordinance as amended was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Aldermen Browne, Christie, Edge, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Hankins and Hardenbergh.

Absent—Alderman Clarke.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh, the Board proceeded to the appointment of an Assessor to fill the vacancy occasioned by the declination of Stephen Quaife.

Aldermen Hankins and Ogden were appointed and acted as tellers.

First balloting—

R. Skinner Tilden received nine votes.
Smith Mead received three votes.
——— Narine received one vote.
W. L. Dickinson received two votes.

Whereupon R. Skinner Tilden was declared appointed an Assessor.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh, the Board proceed to the appointment of two Aids to the Chief of Police.

Aldermen Warner and Earle were appointed and acted as tellers.

Ballotings were had which resulted as follows :

First balloting—

John Ayres received seven votes.
Levi W. Towle received one vote.
William N. Strong received five votes.
Jarvis L. Ayres received two votes.
Benjamin Hann received three votes.
Abraham Van Riper received two votes.
John B. Davis received one vote.
B. Van Riper received one vote.
——— Ayres received four votes.
Barton T. Bodine received one vote.
Jonathan H. Baldwin received two votes.
Van Riper received one vote.

On motion of Alderman Thurston, it was resolved that one aid be balloted for at a time.

Second balloting—

John Ayres, received nine votes.
Benjamin G. Hann, received two votes.
William N. Strong, received one vote.
Abraham Van Riper, received one vote.
Jonathan H. Baldwin, received one vote.
One blank was cast.

Whereupon John Ayres, having received the requisite number of votes, was declared appointed an Aid to the Chief of Police.

Ballotings were then had for the remaining Aid to the Chief of Police.

First balloting—

Benjamin G. Hann received four votes.
Abraham Van Riper received three votes.
William N. Strong received four votes.
Jonathan H. Baldwin received four votes.

Second balloting—

Benjamin G. Hann received six votes.
Abraham Van Riper received two votes.
William N. Strong received three votes.
Jonathan H. Baldwin received four votes.

Third balloting—

Benjamin G. Hann received ten votes.
Jonathan H. Baldwin received five votes.

Whereupon Benjamin G. Hann having received the requisite number of votes was declared appointed an Aid to the Chief of Police.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the rule requiring ballotings was suspended to enable the Board to appoint viva voce, Policemen for the different Wards.

Whereupon the following were appointed for the First Ward :

Jonathan H. Baldwin, unanimously.

Thomas Callahan appointed by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Alderman Thurston :

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Tilden and Warner.

Nay—Alderman Thurston.

Absent—Alderman Clarke.

Alderman Hankins excused from voting.

Joseph Carroll by the following vote the yeas and nays having been taken on the call of Alderman McLaughlin :

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Alderman Clarke.

Alderman Hankins was excused from voting.

Francis Velade by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Alderman Thurston.

Yeas—President Van Vorst, and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Tilden and Warner.

Nay—Alderman Thurston.

Absent—Alderman Clarke.

Alderman Hankins was excused from voting.

Stephen Bennett by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Alderman Earle :

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Alderman Brown, Christies, Decker, Earle, Edge, Aardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Alderman Clarke.

Alderman Hankins was excused from voting.

Bernard Harney by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Alderman Brown :

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Decker Earle, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermun Clarke.

Thomas Fallon, by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taked on the call of Alderman Decker.

Yeas—President VanVorst, Aldermrn Brown, Christie, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—Alderman Thurston.

Absent—Alderman Clarke.

Alderman Hankins was excused from voting.

The following were appointed for the Second Ward.

James Mann, by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Alderman Edge :

Yeas—President Van Vorst, Aldermen Brown, Christie, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Tilden & Warner.

Nays—Alderman Thurston.

Absent—Alderman Clarke.

John O'Donnell by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermae Hardenbergh.

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie. Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Tilden and Warner.

Nay—Alderman Thurston.

Absent—Alderman Clarke.

William N. Strong by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Alderman McBride :

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Alderman Clarke.

Michael Kilcauley was nominated, but on the motion to appoint him, he was not appointed, the following being the vote, the yeas and nays having been taken on the call of Alderman Brown :

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden.

Nays—President Van Vorst, Aldermen Decker, Earle Hankins, Thursten, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Alderman Clarke.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the Board then adjourned. GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, May 24, 1859, at half-past seven o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Van Vorst, and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

The minutes of the regular meeting of May 17th, 1859, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows, viz.:

Petition of Thomas Stainsby and others, for the removal of the hog pens at the junction of Grand, Colden, and Varick streets, &c. Referred to Committee on Public Health.

Official bond of Hugh McComb, as Collector of Assessments, with Henry French and Charles Keenan as sureties. Referred to the Corporation Attorney.

Application of Michael Mullone, Patrick Coyle, and Thomas Newham, for the establishment of a grade for the curb on the west side of Warren street, between York street and Railroad avenue, according to profile map accompanying the application.

The following resolution in relation to the application, was presented by Alderman Thurston, and adopted. :

Resolved—That the application of Michael Mullone, Patrick Coyle, and Thomas Newham, to have established a street grade for the curb, on the west side of Warren street, between York street and Railroad av., conformably to the profile map accompanying the said application, be referred to the Committee on streets, that Saturday, June 18th, 1859, at half-past 7 o'clock, P.M., be and is hereby appointed as the time when said Committee on Streets will meet at the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street, for the purpose of hearing on its merits all parties interested in said improvement; and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the Corporation Paper, for the length of time required by law, notice of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

Petition of John Brogan, for a license to keep a junk-shop, at No, 14 Brunswick street, in the Third Ward. Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Peter Bentley, Attorney for Mrs. Mary W. Evelett, to have cancelled the sale of her lot in York street (part of 14 and 15 in block 60), made March 23d 1857, for taxes of 1856. Referred to Committee on Finance.

Remonstrance of C. F. Durant "against the adoption of Alderman Tilden's report on sewers, dated May 15, and presented May 17, 1859."

Alderman Hoffman moved "That the remonstrance be laid upon the table."

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Alderman Thurston:

Yeas—Aldermen Christie, Earle and Hoffman.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Clarke, Decker, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden, Warner.

On motion of Alderman Tilden the remonstrance was ordered to be laid on the table until the report of the Committee on Sewers on the subject therein referred to was taken up for consideration.

Official bond of Peter D. Vroom, as City Treasurer, with David Gould and J. Dickinson Miller, as sureties, with the Corporation Attorney's endorsement thereon as to its being drawn in legal form. The bond was approved and ordered to be filed in the Comptroller's Office.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of George E. Cutter, $245 15 and $112 16. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Of Nathaniel Ellis, $31 56. Referred to the Committee on Police.

Of Patrick Farrell, $11. Referred to the Committee on Alms.

The claim of William B. Dunning, amounting to 87 cents, presented and referred to the Committee on Lamps, May 10, 1859, was returned by said committee, and the claim was referred to the Committee on Finance.

A claim of Isaac S. Miller, amounting to $32 91, was presented, referred to the Committee on Alms, afterwards reported correct, and ordered paid.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board, were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Daily Telegraph, $107 60; Board of Commissioners of Assessments, $80; Henry A. Miller, $62 62; Sylvester Keeney, $35 19; C. Zabriskie, $9; John Marsey, $8; William B. Dunning, $7 56 and $5 04; Alexander Love, $4; Narine and Co., $2 50; Lawrence Owens, $2 50; Thomas Hanly, $2 50; William B. Dunning, $1 80 and $1 65.

The claims of William B. Dunning, amounting to $20 19, $4 83, $4 81, $3 88 and $3 64, referred to the Committee on Streets, May 10, 1859, were reported correct by said committee for the following named amounts respectively, $16 47, $4 62, $4 60, $3 68 and $3 74.

The amounts for which the claims were reported correct were ordered paid.

The Comptroller's annual report for the year ending April 30, 1859, was presented, received, and ordered to be published in the corporation paper.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "application to have Jersey street opened from Railroad avenue to Newark avenue eighty feet wide where the same is not already opened, and in a continuous line with Jersey street," and the same was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Finance presented a report and the following resolutions on the petition of John Berry, executor of estate of Leonard Allen, in relation to sale of property for assessments, referred December 21, 1858, to the Committee on Finance of the late Common Council.

Resolved, That lot No. 4 assessment map, assessed to W. R. Allen, for regulation of Morgan street, from Grove to Greene streets, and sold to John B. Vroom, September 29, 1854, be cancelled of record for the reason that lot 4, assessed to W R Allen belonged to estate of Leonard Allen, deceased; and lot No. 3, asssessed to L. Allen, was owned by one Bonham. That Leonard Allen paid the assessment on lot No. 3 instead of lot No. 4, it being an error of the assessor's in incorrectly assessing the same.

Resolved, That the sale of lot 4, which was returned as unpaid, and sold as above, be cancelled of record, upon proof to the City Clerk by John Berry, executor, that he is authorized to act for the estate of Leonard Allen, and that said lot No. 4 is owned by the estate of Leonard Allen.

Resolved, That lot No. 3, block No. 3, asssessment map, for regulation of Morgan street, from Grove to Greene, be advertised for the non-pay next of the assessment due on said lot for above regulation, under the supervision of the Comptroller.

The report was received and the resolutions were adopted.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred, May 17, 1859, the annual estimate of the Board of Education, of amount of monies required for School purposes during the fiscal year, presented a report recommending that the subject of an Evening School, and the lots asked to be purchased therefor be referred jointly to the Committee on Schools and the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

The report was received, and its recommendation adopted.

The Committee on Finance presented a report and the following resolutions, on the petition of William White, to have an apportionment of taxes of 1857, made upon his portion of lots 12 and 13 and 14, Jersey street, in block 56, referred August 18, 1858, to the Committee on Finance of the late Common Council.

Resolved, That William White have privilege to redeem parts of lots Nos. 12, 13 and 14 Jersey street, block 56, C. Van Vorst's map, assessed to owners unknown, and sold to John Patten, jr., June 7, 1858, for taxes of 1857, and that the City Comptroller be instructed to make an equitable division or apportionment of the same.

Resolved, That the City Clerk be instructed to cancel the portion of said property remaining unpaid, and that he cause the same to be readvertised under the opinion of the City Attorney, filed in the office of the Comptroller.

Resolved, That the City Clerk be instructed to draw a warrant in favor of John Patton, jr., for amount paid by him upon said lots, with interest from the date of sale, at the rate of seven per cent per annum. The report was received, and the resolutions were adopted.

The Committee on Finance presented a report on the petition referred, March 15, 1859, to the Committee on Finance of the late Common Council, of Martin Gallagher, to have refunded assessment on lot No. 4, block 89, the report stating that the Common Council have no power in the premises. The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred, May 17, 1859, the bond of Wm. Birkbeck, as Water Commissioner, presented a report submitting a new bond, with William Keeney and Moses B. Bramhall as sureties, endorsed by the City Attorney as drawn in legal form. The report recommending that the new bond be approved and filed, and that the bond presented May 10, 1859, be returned to Wm. Birkbeck. The report was received, and its recommendation adopted.

The Committee on Assessments presented a report accompanied by the following resolutions :

Resolved, That an improvement certificate be issued under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of Enos Cole, for four hundred and fifty-three dollars and seventy-two cents, being the balance due to him as per contract, on his claim for the improvement of Morgan street, from Grove to Prospect street, and that his Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Corporate Seal of the city thereto.

Resolved, That an improvement certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of I. B. and D. E. Culver, for forty-seven dollars, being the amount of their claim for surveys and calculations on the improvement of Morgan street, from the west side of Prospect street to the east side of Grove street, and for making copy of the assessment map and of the amount of the bills, &c., and that his Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Corporate Seal of the city thereto.

Resolved, That an improvement certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of John Wiseman, for eighty-two dollars and fifty cents, being the amount of his bill for superintending the improvement of Morgan street, from Grove street to Prospect street, and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the corporate seal of the city thereto.

The report was received.

The resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Van Vorst, and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

The Committee on Streets who, by resolution of the 17th instant, were authorized to advertise for proposals to lay down ten thousand yards of Belgian pavement, presented a report accompanied by six proposals, which had been received, opened and read by them. The following resolution accompanying the report :

Resolved, That the proposal of Adrian B. Reynolds for furnishing and laying down ten thousand yards of Belgian pavement, and furnishing sand for the same, be accepted, he being the lowest bidder for the said contract, and that the Committee on Streets be authorized to enter into such contract with said Adrian B. Reynolds, and that they cause to be prepared by the corporation attorney contracts for said work, and that when the same shall have been executed by Adrian B. Reynolds, and a bond shall have been executed by him, with good and responsible sureties, to the satisfaction of said committee and the Mayor of the city, that then said contracts be executed on the part of this corporation by His Honor the Mayor, and by the City Clerk, under the corporate seal of the city.

The report was received and the resolution laid upon the table.

The Committee on Streets presented a report in reference to the matter of the opening Jersey st., submitting an ordinance entitled "An ordinance to provide for the opening of a street to be an extension of Jersey street, from the point where the same is now open to the southerly side of Newark avenue."

The report was received, and the ordinance laid upon the table.

The Committee on Streets reported the following resolution :

Resolved, That the parties interested in the application presented, April 5, 1859, to have Jersey street opened from Railroad avenue to Newark avenue, eighty feet wide where the same is not already opened, and in a continuous line with Jersey street, be directed to pay into the city treasury the sum of one hundred dollars for the purpose of defraying the expenses attending the preliminary proceedings upon such application.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on streets, to whom was referred on the 3d instant the petition of Patrick Riley, to have the alley way, between South 6th and South 7 streets, running from Coles street to Monmouth street, paved, curbed and guttered, presented a report adverse to granting the prayer of the petitioner "for the reason that in the opinion of the committee the alley way is private property, and the city have no right to improve it in the way proposed unless the same be dedicated to the public use.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred May 17, 1859, the petition of Abraham Clark and others, to have a portion of Railroad avenue improved, presented a report setting forth that the petition does not describe with sufficient accuracy the improvement asked for and recommending that the application be returned to the petitioners.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The Committee on street, to whom was referred with power the petition of the New Jersey Railroad & Transportation Company, for permission to lay an additional railroad track through Mercer street, from its intersection with Greene street over Hudson street, presented a report submitting an agreement, signed by the Vice-President of said Railroad Company. The report recommending that the agreement be presented to the Mayor for his approval, after which to be filed in the Comptroller's office. The report was received, and its recommendation adopted.

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred, May 10, 1859, the petition of Patrick Riley, to have Provost street, between south Second street and Pavonia avenue including intersections improved by filling &c., presented a report accompanied by the following resolution appointing a time and place for a hearing.

Resolved, That Thursday, June 16, 1859, at 7½ o'clock, P.M., at the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street, is hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the Committee on Streets of this Common Council will meet, for the purpose of hearing on its merits all parties interested in the application presented to the Common Council, May 10, 1859, by Patrick Riley, to have Provost street, between South Second street and Pavonia avenue, including intersections improved by filling to the established grade, curbing, guttering and flagging the sidewalks four feet wide, and laying bridge stone cross-walks, and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the Corporation paper for the length of time required by the City Charter, notice of the appointment of the above-named time and place for hearing. The report was received, and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred May 10, 1859, the petition to Henry Litchfield and others, to have Newark avenue, from Warren street to Grove street, raised to the established grade, presented a report accompanied by the following resolution, appointing a time and place for a hearing.

Resolved, That Thursday, June 16, 1859, at half-past seven o'clock, P.M. at the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street, is hereby appointed as the time and place, when and where the Committee on Streets of this Common Council will meet for the purpose of hearing on its merits all parties interested in the application presented to the Common Council May 10, 1859, of Henry Litchfild and others, to have Newark aveune, from Warren street to Grove street, raised to the established grade, with the side-walks on both sides, also the cross-walks, curb and gutters, and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the Corporation Paper, for the length of time required by the city charter, notice of the appointment of the above-named time and place for a hearing. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred, May 17, 1859, the petition of James Gafney, for license to keep a junk shop, at No. 63 Prospect street, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license by granted to James Gafney to keep a junk shop, at No. 63 Prospect street, and that the Mayor and City Clerk issue the same under the Corporate seal of the city, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses. The report was received.

The resolution was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker Earle, Hoffman, McBride and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Alderman Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

The Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings presented a report on the petition referred to the committee on Public Grounds and Buildings of the late Common Council, January 4, 1859, of T. Connolly, for the erection of a Public Market. The report setting forth that the "committee deem it inexpedient to build the market asked for at the present time," and recommending that "when the City Hall is built, that the first floor be appropriated for a public market."

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings presented a report on the petition referred to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings of the late Common Council, December 21, 1858, of the fourth section of the Hudson County Artillery Co., to have a place provided in which to store their cannon. The report stating that the committee have located said com-

pany in the building formerly occupied by Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1, in Sussex st.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Public Health, to whom was referred, May 17, 1859, the petition of George McLaughlin and others, for the abatement of nuisances caused by stagnant water on blocks 74 and 75, presented a report stating that in the opinion of said committee the subject requires immediate attention in the premises, and they have authorized the street commissioner, in writing, to take the necessary and legal steps for the abatement of such nuisances, etc.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Alderman Hankins and adopted:

Whereas, at a meeting of the Common Council, held held April 9, 1859, a resolution was passed, authorizing the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings to raise and repair the roof of Hook and Ladder Co., No. 1. House situated on the corner of Grand and Van Vorst streets.

And whereas, the resolution did not state the amount to be expended, the committee got estimates for doing the work and furnishing the materials, and the committee not being satisfied to spend so large an amount without any appropriation for such work.

Therefore, be it resolved, That the committee be instructed to proceed with the repairs, at a cost not to exceed seven hundred and seventy-five dollars, and that said amount be placed in the tax ordinance of this year.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Tilden and adopted:

Resolved, That the action of this Common Council had on the 10th instant, referring to the Committee on Public Health with power, the communication or report of the Street Commissioner, recommending that a sewer, on the water commissioner's plan, be immediately constructed on Newark avenue, from Warren to Henderson street, be and the same is hereby rescinded.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted:

Resolved, That the assessors be request to assess each lot of land separately.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted:

Resolved, That the assessors be allowed the use of such books in the office of the city clerk connected with a proper discharge of their duties as they may from time to time require.

The following resolutions were offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted:

Resolved, That each bill audited by the Common Council shall state distinctly for what purpose ordered

Resolved, That the comptroller be instructed to open separate accounts with each Hose, Hook and Ladder and Engine Company, and charge to each account all monies ordered for each company.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Edge and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Police be and are hereby authorized to procure a "star" for the Chief of Police as his insignia of office, at a sum not to exceed fifteen dollars.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted:

Resolved, That the Chief of Police be instructed to have 500 copies of the resolution of Alderman McLaughlin printed, and distributed by the members of the Police Department, throughout the city, in the various places where intoxicating drinks are sold.

On motion of Alderman Tilden, the report of the Committee on Sewers, presented May 17, 1859, adverse to building sewer in Warren street, to connect with Wayne street sewer, thence through Warren street and Newark avenue, to Henderson street, under the application of George McLaughlin and others, presented to the Common Council, March 15, 1859, was taken from the table for consideration.

Alderman Tilden moved "That the recommendation contained in the report be adopted."

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Thurston, Tilden and Hardenbergh:

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—Aldermen Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh and Thurston.

On motion of Alderman Tilden the objections of His Honor the Mayor, laid before the Common Council on the 3d instant, to resolution passed April 19, 1859, granting the prayer of Samuel Wescott and others, for privilege of laying tracks for Horse Railroad through Jersey City, was taken up for consideration.

Alderman Edge moved "That the resolution do now pass notwithstanding the objections of his Honor the Mayor."

The motion wae rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—None.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Alderman Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

On motion of Alderman Tilden it was—

Resolved, That the petition of S. Wescott and others presented April 5th, 1859, for the privilege of constructing a Horse Railroad through Jersey City, be returned to the petition they being desirous of having the same returned to them.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh it was—

Resolved, That the Board do now proceed to the appointment of policemen.

Alderman Hardenbergh moved

That the rule requiring ballotings be suspended and that the policemen be appointed by yeas and nays.

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Earle, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden and Thurston.

Nays—Aldermen Decker, Hankins, Tilden and Warner

FOR THE SECOND WARD.

Martin Ward was appointed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Earle, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—Aldermen Decker, Hankins and Thurston.

Peter Scheel was appointed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Earle, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—Aldermen Decker, Hankins and Thurston.

On motion of Alderman Thurston the vote was reconsidered by which the appointment of Michael Kilcauley was refused at the last meeting. Michael Kilcauley was appointed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Christie, Clarke, Earle, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden and Warner.

Nays—Aldermen Decker, Hankins, Thurston and Tilden.

John Murphy was appointed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Alderman Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Tilden and Warner.

Nay—Alderman Thurston.

Michael McLaughlin was appointed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Tilden and Warner.

Nay—Ald. Thurston.

Alfred Berry was appointed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Alderman Hankins.

Philo L. Snow was appointed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Daniel McNamara was appointed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—Ald. Thurston.

FOR THE THIRD WARD.

Jarvis L. Ayres was appointed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None

James Moulds was appointed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Har-

denbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Robert Duffy was nominated but on the motion to appoint him he was not appointed the following being the vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Alderman Brown, Christie, Clarke, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McLaughlin,

Nays—Aldermen Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, McBride, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Patrick Jordan was appointed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden and Warner.

Nays—Aldermen Decker, Earle, Hankins, Thurston and Tilden.

FOR THE FOURTH WARD.

William Daly was appointed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Tilden and Warner.

Nay—Alderman Thurston.

John D. Thomson was appointed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hardenbergh Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nay—Ald. Hankins.

Robins Holloway was appointed by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

John Van Voorhies was appointed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

James B. Wheeler was appointed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner

Nays—None.

David Babington was appointed by the following vote. vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—Aldermen Hankins and Thurston:

John W. Sandford was appointed by the following the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—Aldermen Earle and Hankins.

Alderman Hardenbergh returned the police applications referred to the Aldermen of the Second Ward and Alderman Tilden returned the police applications referred to the Aldermen of the Fourth Ward.

On motion of Alderman Earle the Board then adj.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, May 31st, 1859, at half-past seven o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

The minutes of the regular meeting of May 24, 1859, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz.:—

Petition of Daniel Harper for a license to keep a junk shop, at No. 867 South Sixth street. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Martin Schnatler for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Official bond of James Martin as Constable, with Wm. Powell and Charles Keenan as sureties. Referred to the corporation Attorney.

The official bond of John G. Haybeck, as Constable, with Johnson Hunt and Edmund Barry, as sureties, with the endorsement thereon of the Corporation Attorney as to its being drawn in legal form, was presented, received, approved and ordered filed.

An invitation of the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation company to attend the Annual meeting of the Stockholders of said Company at their depot, on the 4th June next, at 11 o'clock, A. M., and to participate in their collation at the same place, at 2 o'clock, P. M. of that day, was presented, received and accepted.

Petition of Robert Duffy for compensation as policeman during sickness in the month of April, 1859. Referred to the Committee on Police.

Communication from John B. Haight, collector of taxes of 1858, asking that part of lot 7, Jersey ave. block 202, be withheld from sale for taxes of that year, the said part of a lot having been erroneously returned by him as unpaid. Referred to Committee on Finance.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows: viz:

Of John Wilson $171 40; I. B. & D. E. ulver $19 00, and James S. Noyes $3 00. Referred to the Committee on streets.

Of Robert Griglietti $30 80, and Joseph Cooper $5 00. Referred to the Committee on salaries, officers and elections.

Of Drayton and Durant $81 87; referred to the committee on alms.

Of Daily Telegraph $37 64; referred to the Committee on Finance.

Of Thomas Howe $16 56; referred to the committee on public grounds and buildings.

The claim of Peter Curley amounting to $16 50 presented and referred to committee on public grounds and buildings May 17, 1859, was returned by said committee and the claim referred to the committee on sts.

A claim of Jacob Erwin amounting to $148 34, was presented, referred to the committee on alms, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid; viz: Of Alexander Love $866 40; Edward Coles $133 40; Michael Kane $35 12; Nathaniel Ellis $31 56; William B. Dunning $17 85; Patrick Farrell $11 00; John G. Langston $7 89; W. Hughes & Co., $7 50; William B. Dunning $6 32; barley Van Brunt $2 00; William B. Dunning $1 80, and 87 cents.

A claim of George E. Cutter amounting to $245 15 presented and referred to committee on finance, May 24, 1859, was reported correct by said committee for $244 15 and that amount ordered paid.

Communication from the commissioners of the Fire Department, asking that a suitable room may be provided for them in which to hold their meetings, etc.; referred to the committee on public grounds and buildings.

Communication from the Board of Water Commissioners asking that the sale made July 28, 1857, for water rents of 1856, of lot A. in block C. be cancelled of record the water rents on said lot having been erroniously returned by said Board as unpaid; referred to committee on finance.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "application to have Jersey street opened from Railroad avenue to Newark avenue, eighty feet wide where the same is not already opened and in a continuous line with Jersey street," and the same was received and ordered filed.

The City Treasurer's report for May 1859, showing balance in the Treasury May 31, 1859 of $ 8 049 20 was presented, received and ordered filed.

The official bond of Hugh McComb as Collector of Assessments, presented and referred to the Corporation Attorney May 24, 1859, was reported back by that officer as drawn in legal form. The bond was approved and ordered filed.

A communication from the Board of Water Commissioners enclosing return of unpaid assessments for the construction of the sewer in South Third street and its laterals, was presented and received, and on motion of Alderman Hardenbergh, it was

Resolved, That the return of the Board of Water Commissioners of unpaid assessments for building sewer in South Third street and its laterals be referred to the Committee on Finance, with power to advertise and sell, according to law, the property described in said return, and with power to make all necessary rules and regulations for the government of such sale.

Alderman Hardenbergh, from the Committee on Finance, presented the following entitled ordinance, which was received, laid upon the table, and ordered to be printed on slips for the use of the Board:

"An ordinance for the assessment of an annual tax for the year ending 1859, exclusive of the poll tax."

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred, May 24, 1859, the claim of George E. Cutter, Collector of arrears of taxes, amounting to $112 16, for extra services, presented a report adverse to payment of said claim for the reason that the salary ordinance prescribes the compensation to be paid to that officer, and the committee believe it to be a part of his duties to make returns of delinquents, &c.

The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Sewers presented a report in reference to the closing of the mouth of the Henderson st. sewer by the Morris Canal Company, enclosing a copy of a letter sent by the chairman of said committee to the Engineer of the Morris Canal Company, and also a copy of a letter received from the President of said company. The report setting forth that the committee ask for instructions as to how they shall proceed to have the Henderson street sewer cleaned out without delay. The report was received and on motion of Alderman Hardenbergh, it was

Resolved, That the subject of the cleaning out of the Henderson street sewer be referred to the Committee on Sewers with power.

The Committee on Licensess reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Clerk be requested to have five hundred copies of the ordinance in relation to the licensing of cartmen printed in pamphlet form for the use of the cartmen and the city authorities.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Licenses, to whom was referred, May 24, 1859, the petition of John Brogan for a license to keep a junk shop at No. 14 Brunswick street, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license to keep a junk shop be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to John Brogan, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinances relating to such licences

The report was received.

The resolution was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hoffman, McBride and Warner.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston and Tilden.

The Committee on Licenses, to whom was referred, May 24, 1859, the petition of Owen McCue for a license to keep an inn and tavern, at No. 220 Grove st., presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved—That a license be granted to Owen McCue to keep an inn and tavern, at No. 220 Grove street, in the Fourth Ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Hankins, Ogden and Thurston.

The Committee on Licenses, to whom was referred May 31st, 1859, the petition of Patrick Corrigan for a license to keep an inn and tavern, at the corner of Newark avenue and Barrow street, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved—That a license be granted to Patrick Corrigan to keep an inn and tavern, at the corner of Newark avenue and Barrow street, in the Third Ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Hankins, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred May 31, 1855, the petition of James Grimes for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern at No. 239 Newark avenue, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to James Grimes to keep an Inn and Tavern at No. 239 Newark avenue, in the Third Ward of Jersey City. The report was received. The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—President Van Vorst, Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden.

Nays—Earle, Hankins, Ogden, Thurston, Warner.

The following resolution was offered by Aldermon Hankins and adopted:

Resolved, That the committee on public grounds and buildings are hereby authorised and instructed to make all the necessary arrangements, and arrange a programme for the proper celebration of the coming National Anniversary of American Independence; said arrangements and programme to contemplate a celebration for which an expenditure of not more than five hundred dollars shall be required.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hankins and adopted:

Resolved, That the committee on public grounds and buildings are hereby authorised to introduce the Gas into the house occupied by the Fourth Section of the Hudson county artillery.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted:

Resolved, That the resolution passed May 17th, ordering the return to Benjamin O. Edge the sum of fifty-six dollars and ninety-six cents, with interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum, and that the same be cancelled of record, be and is hereby rescinded.

Resolved, That the City Clerk be instructed to draw a warrant in favor of Benjamin O. Edge for the sum of fifty-six dollars and ninety-six cents, with interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum, and that the same be cancelled of record.

The following resolutions were offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted:

Resolved, That the resolution passed May 17th, directing that the declaration of sale for the purchase of lot 39 block 48 be cancelled of record, and that the amount of $21 82, paid by John B. Vroom, as purchaser, be returned to him by the City Treasurer, with interest at the rate of 7 per cent. per annum, be and is hereby rescinded.

Resolved, That the declaration of sale for the purchase of lot 36, block 48, be cancelled of record, and that the City Clerk be instructed to draw a warrant for $21 82, with interest at 7 per cent. per annum, in favor of John B. Vroom, for monies paid by him as purchaser.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted:

Resolved—That the resolution passed by the Common Council at its meeting May 17th, 1855, whereby the City Clerk was instructed to readvertise lots 9 and 10 "and Hall" Grand street, block 31, assessed to I. F. Trippe, for taxes of 1855, be and the same is hereby rescinded for the reason that it has been shown to the Committee on Finance that said taxes have been paid.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted:

Resolved—That the Com. on Finance be instructed to have prepared Coupon Bonds, for the use of the Corporation of Jersey City, and that the sum of four hundred dollars be raised for that purpose in the tax ordinance of the present year.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Thurston, and adopted:

Resolved—That the report of the Committee on Streets of the late Board, in reference to the petition of John Pringle, for the improvement of Bright street, be taken from the table, whereupon the whole subject was recommitted to the Committee on streets.

On motion of Alderman Thurston the resolution of the Committee on Streets, accompanying their report, presented May 24, 1859, in reference to laying down ten thousand yards of Belgian pavement, was taken up for consideration.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh, the resolution was amended by adding the words "provided that not more than five thousand dollars shall be expended in any one year in making such improvement."

The resolution, as amended, was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh, Thurston and Brown.

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Edge, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh and Ogden.

The resolution, as amended and passed, being as follows:

Resolved, That the proposal of Adrian B. Reynolds for furnishing and laying down ten thousand yards of Belgian pavement, and furnishing sand for the same, be accepted, he being the lowest bidder for the said contract, and that the Committee on Streets be authorized to enter into such contract with said Adrian B. Reynolds, and that they cause to be prepared by the corporation attorney contracts for said work, and that when the same shall have been executed by Adrian B. Reynolds, and a bond shall have been executed by him, with good and responsible sureties, to the satisfaction of said committee and the Mayor of the city, that then said contracts be executed on the part of this corporation by His Honor the Mayor, and by the City Clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, provided that not more than five thousand dollars shall be expended in any one year in making such improvements.

On motion of Alderman Brown the following entitled ordinance presented and laid upon the table, May 17th, 1855, was taken up for consideration, viz.:

"An ordinance amendatory of an ordinance entitled an ordinance to establish, regulate and control a Day and Night Police, approved September 4th, 1855."

Alderman Thurston moved that the first section of the ordinance be stricken out.

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Edge, Thurston and Brown:

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Alderman Decker, McLaughlin, Thurston and Tilden.

Nays—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Earle, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Ogden and Warner.

Absent—Aldermen Clarke and Hankins.

Pending the consideration of the ordinance, on motion of Alderman Tilden the Board adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, June 7th, 1859, at half-past seven o'clock P. M.

Present—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Alderman McLaughlin.

The minutes of the regular meeting of May 31, 1859, were read and approved.

Petitions were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz. :

Of Samuel Wescott and others for permission to lay Horse Railroad tracks in Jersey City.

Referred to the committee on streets.

Of Thomas Gilroy, for permission to travel from house to house, with a bag, for the purpose of purchasing rags, paper, etc. Laid upon the table.

Of Policemen, for increase of salary to $600, for the present year. Referred to the committee on police.

Of George E. Cutter, late collector of arrears of taxes, for a reconsideration of the action had in reference to his claim for extra services.

Referred to the committee on finance.

Of Thomas Lynch, for a license to keep a junk-shop at No. 11 Railroad avenue.

Referred to the committee on licenses.

Petition of George H. Farrier, foreman, and William H. Bumstead, secretary, of Hose Co. No. 3, in behalf of the members of said company, asking that the roof of their house, located in Van Vorst street, near Grand st., be raised nine feet, instead of three feet, and that a third story be finished for the use of said company.

Referred to the committee on public grounds and buildings.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz. :

Of J. F. Richardson, $51 05; Henry A. Miller, $15 78; H. and G. Soule, $15, and Vanderbeck and Morrell, $1 75. Referred to the committee on police.

Of R. B. Kashow, $28 92, $12 54, $6 13, and $3 13. Referred to the committee on salaries, offices and elections.

Of Henry A. Miller, $69 94; J. F. Richardson, $36 50; Hugh Billingsley, $17 50, and Mrs. Ann Eaton, $17 00. Referred to the committee on Lamps.

Of Ward and McGown, $67 37; Hugh Riley, $25 01, and Seth Billington, $22 50. Referred to the committee on alms.

Of William J. Babcock, $2; Samuel Hotherington, $1 50 and $1. Referred to the committee on public grounds and buildings.

Of R. B. Kashow, $99 23. Referred to the committee on finance.

Of R. B. Kashow, $7 44. Referred to the committee on fire and water.

Of A. B. Reynolds, $6 95. Referred to the committee on streets.

A claim of Theodore A. Tupper, amounting to $25-38, was presented, and referred to the committee on public grounds and buildings, afterwards reported correct, and ordered paid.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct, and ordered paid, viz :

Of Alexander Love, $261; Drayton & Durant, $81 87; Daily Telegraph, $37 64; Thomas Howe, $16 56, and James S. Noyes, $3.

The claims of John Wilson, amounting to $171 40, and I. B. and D. E. Culver, amounting to $19, for work and materials in the improvement by flagging of Warren street side-walk, presented and referred to Committee on Streets, May 31, 1859, were reported correct by said committee, and the claims were referred to the Committee on Assessments to be assessed.

The official bond of James Martin, as Constable, presented and referred to the Corporation Attorney, May 31, 1859, was reported back by that officer as drawn in legal form. The bond was approved, and ordered filed.

The City Clerk laid before the Board the following communication from his Honor the Mayor, filed in the City Clerk's office on the 6th instant, and the same was read, received, and ordered to be entered at large on the Journal of proceedings of the Common Council, and was laid upon the table.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, Jersey City, June 4, 1859.

To the Hon. the Common Council :

GENTLEMEN—In section 52, under the division of title VI of the charter, which I ask to have read in connexion with this communication, "filling sunken lots" is called an "improvement," and is classed among other improvements which you may order to be made in the manner therein stated. Any departure from this plain rule will be in violation of law. I return you therefore, the proposed ordinance passed by you on the 17th May, entitled "An ordinance amendatory of an ordinance entitled 'an ordinance declaring nuisances,'" without my signature, as it will, by its passage, contravene the law of the State.

Respectfully submitted,

D. S. GREGORY, Mayor.

The following requisition was presented from the Board of Education, received, and warrants ordered to be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the claimants respectively named.

To the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City :

At a meeting of the Board of Education, held at the City Clerk's office, on Monday evening, June 6, 1859.

It was resolved by the votes of all the members present, the yeas and nays being taken, that requisition be made upon the Common Council for the payment of the following claims : to John Faulkner, for repairs glazing $2 25; A. H. Vroom, taking census of children, $75; Sheldon, Blakeman & Co., books, stationery, &c., $174 35 cents.

P. D. VROOM,

Clerk of Board of Education.

Jersey City, June 7, 1859.

The committee on Finance to whom was referred, May 31, 1859, the communication from John B. Haight, collector of taxes for 1858, asking that part of lot 7, Jersey avenue, block 202, may be withheld from sale for taxes of 1858, the taxes on said part of a lot having been erroneously returned as unpaid, presented a report accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved—That the return of lot part of 7, Jersey avenue, block 202, and advertised to be sold for unpaid taxes of 1858, on 16th June proximo, be erased from the list, it appearing to your committee on Finance that the taxes upon the same were duly paid by William Van Name. The report was received, and the resolution adopted.

The committee on Finance to whom was referred, May 24, 1859, the petition of Peter Bentley, attorney for Mary W. Evellette, asking to have cancelled the sale of her lot for taxes of 1855, presented a report thereon, accompanied by the following resolutions :

Resolved—That the sale of part of lots 14 and 15 York street, block No. 60, be cancelled of record for the reason that the same were sold erroneously.

Resolved—That the City Clerk be directed to readvertise for unpaid taxes of 1856, the lot assessed to Thomas Knock, and described as parts of of lots 24 and 25 York street, block 60, assessor's book. The report was received and the resolutions were adopted,

The committee on Finance to whom was referred, May 31, 1859, with power to advertise and sell the property described in the return, and with power to make all necessary rules and regulations for the government of such sale. The communication from the Board of Water Commissioners, enclosing a return of unpaid assessments for South 3d street sewer, with its laterals, presented a report returning the same, and recommending that the City Clerk be directed to have the same advertised under the same rules and regulations as heretofore observed in such cases. The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The committee on Finance to whom was referred, May 31, 1859, the communication from the Board of Water Commissioners, requesting cancelling of sale made July 28, 1857, for water rents of 1856, of lot A in block C, erroneously returned as unpaid, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved—That the sale of lot A on block C, known as No. 303 Railroad avenue, belonging to Timothy Curran, returned erroneously among the water rents unpaid, Dec. 20, 1856, and sold at a corporation sale, July 28, 1857, be cancelled of record, the same having been sold to the city treasurer. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on Licenses to whom was referred, June 1st, 1859, the petition of W. L. Broking for a license to keep an inn and tavern, at No. 229 Newark avenue, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved—That a license be granted to Wm. L. Broking to keep an inn and tavern, at No. 229, Newark avenue, in the Third ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Hankins, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Alderman McLaughlin.

The committee on licences, to whom was referred, May 31, 1859, the petition of James Lynch for a license to keep an inn and tavern at the north-west corner of Washington and Stauben streets, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to James Lynch to keep an inn and tavern at north-west corner of Washington and Stauben streets, in the Second Ward of Jersey City. The report was received and the resolution laid upon the table.

The committee on licences, to whom was referred May 31, 1859, the petition of Patrick Doyle for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 51 Newark avenue, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Patrick Doyle to keep an inn and tavern at No. 51 Newark avenue, in the 2d Ward of Jersey City. The report was received and the resolution laid upon the table.

The committee on licences, to whom was referred May 31, 1859, the petition of Martin Schattner, for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license to peddle, meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to Martin Schnatter, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred May 31, 1859, the petition of Daniel Harper for a license to keep a junk-shop at No. 367 South Sixth street, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license to keep a junk-shop at No. 267 South Sixth street, be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to Daniel Harper, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licences. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clark, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hoffman, McBride, Ogden, Tilden and Warner

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Edge, Hardenbergh and Thurston.

Absent—Alderman McLaughlin.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hankins and adopted:

Resolved, That the committee on public grounds and buildings are hereby authorized, provided the consent of the contractors be first legally obtained, to have the plans of the Station House and Bell Tower altered so as strictly to conform to the specifications, there being a slight deviation in the same; and that the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized, on the requisition of said committee, to execute, under the corporate seal of the city, such written agreement to the change, as shall be prepared by the corporation attorney and duly executed by the contractors.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Tilden and adopted:

Resolved, That the committee on Sewers are hereby instructed to have the sewer in Grove street, and Lateral sewers in Wayne street and Mercer street, examined, and, if necessary, cleaned out and repaired, at an expense not to exceed three hundred dollars.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Thurston and adopted:

Resolved, That the committee on lamps be instructed to have a gas lamp-post erected on the corner of Monmouth and Fourth streets.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted:

Resolved, That the ordinance introduced into a previous Common Council, defining the duties of the City Clerk, be taken from the table and referred to the committee on finance, to report thereon.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Tilden and adopted:

Resolved, That the corporation attorney is hereby directed to report whether this corporation does not possess the power to issue water rents, assessment and tax receipts or certificates of sale to purchasers, at such sales, in lieu of the present declarations of sales; declarations of sales to be issued at the end of the two years allowed for redemption, in cases where property is not redeemed from sale, on surrender of said receipt; and if such change can be lawfully made, that he be instructed to prepare a form of receipt, and if necessary an ordinance, for the purpose, and report to the Board, at its next regular meeting.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Alderman Earle and adopted:

Whereas, It is very desirable that the citizens of Jersey City shall be accommodated with a ferry from the the foot of Montgomery street to the upper part of the city of New York—

Therefore, Resolved, That it be referred to the committee on ferries and wharves to confer with the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Co. as to the expediency of establishing said ferry with all possible dispatch.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh, it was

Resolved, That the Board do now proceed to appoint a policeman, whose compensation is to be paid by private citizens, and not out of the city treasury; such policeman to be detailed for special duty wherever the citizens who pay his salary desire him to be stationed.

Aldermen Clarke and Warner were appointed and acted as tellers, and a balloting was had, which resulted as follows:

Patrick Hurley received nine votes.

Five blanks were cast.

Whereupon Patrick Hurley was declared appointed.

On motion of Alderman Tilden it was

Resolved, That the Board do now proceed to the appointment of a policeman to be detailed for special duty at the ferry and railroad depot, who is to receive no compensation from the city for his services.

Aldermen Warner and Clarke were appointed and acted as tellers.

A balloting was had which resulted as follows:

George C. Clark received nine votes.

Five blanks were cast.

Whereupon George C. Clark was declared such policeman.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh, the ordinance, presented May 17th, 1859, entitled "an ordinance fixing salaries for eighteen hundred and fifty-nine and eighteen hundred and sixty," was taken up for consideration.

The ordinance was amended as follows:

Alderman Tilden moved "That the salary of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department be four hundred dollars."

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh, Tilden and Earle:

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hoffman, McBride, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Christie, Hardenbergh, Ogden and Thurston.

Absent—Alderman Edge and McLaughlin.

Ald. Earle moved "That the salary of each of the Assessors be five hundred dollars."

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh, Tilden and Clarke.

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Ald. Clark, Earle, Hardenbergh, Ogden, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—Ald. Brown, Christie, Decker, Hankins, Hoffman, McBride and Thurston

Absent—Ald. Edge and McLaughlin.

Alderman Thurston moved to amend the clause of the ordinance relating to the Assessors by adding these words, "And they shall perform such other duties as the common council may require."

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald. Hardenbergh, Hankins and Clarke:

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Hankins, Hoffman, McBride and Thurston.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Ald. Earle, Hardenbergh, Ogden, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Edge and McLaughlin.

On motion of Alderman Ogden, the clause of the ordinance in relation to the collector of arrears of taxes was amended so as to read as follows:

"To the Collector of Arrears of Taxes shall be paid a per centage on the amount collected by him as follows, viz: For the first two thousand dollars collected two and a half per cent.; for the excess collected three per cent."

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh, the clause of the ordinance in relation to the compensation of the officers of elections was amended so as to read as follows:

"To each one of the Judges of Election in the first ward for his services at the charter election, eight dollars.

To each one of the Judges of Election in the second ward, for his services at the charter election, eight dollars.

To each one of the Judges of Election in the third ward, for his services at the charter election, twelve dollars.

To each one of the Judges of Election in the fourth ward for his services at the charter election, twelve dollars.

To the Clerk of the first ward, for his services at the charter election, including the posting of notices of such election, and making out the required return of the same, twelve dollars in full payment.

To the Clerk of the second ward for his services at the charter election, including the posting of notices of such election, and making out the required return of the same, twelve dollars in full payment.

To the Clerk of the third ward for his services at the charter election, including the posting of notices of such election and making out the required return of the same, fifteen dollars in full payment.

To the Clerk of the fourth ward for his services at the charter election, including the posting of notices of such election, and making out the required return of the same, fifteen dollars in full payment."

On motion of Alderman Thurston, the clause of the ordinance relating to the compensation of surveyors for surveying, regulating and laying out any wharf, pier, slip or public grounds, was amended so as to read :

"Any sum not exceeding five dollars per day and two dollars and fifty cents per half dry, of five hours, actually employed."

On motion of Aldetman Thurston, it was

Resolved, That all of the ordinance relating to the compensation of the corporation printer be referred to a special committee of three. Whereupon Ald. Thurston Earle and Hardenbergh were appointed such committee.

Alderman Hoffman moved that the Board do now adjourn.

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Earle, Thurston and Warner.

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Clarke, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Hankins, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Aldermen Christie, Edge and McLaughlin.

All of the ordinance, as amended, was adopted, with the exception of that part which relates to the compensation to be paid to the Corporation Printer.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh, the further consideration of the ordinance was postponed.

Alderman Thurston moved that the resolutions reported this evening by the committee on licenses, in favor of granting tavern licenses, and laid upon the table, be ta en up for consideration. The motion was rejected.

On motion of Alderman Clarke, the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.



COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, June 14th, 1859, at half-past seven o'clock P. M.

Present—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

The minutes of the regular meeting of June 7th, 1859, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, &c., were presented received and disposed of as follows :

Petition of the officers and members of Engine Co. No. 5, for an appropriation of the sum of $250, to said Company. Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Petition of Thomas Clark for a license to keep a junk shop, at No. 70 Railroad avenue. Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Thomas Morrissy, for a license to peddle fish, fruit and vegetables. Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Remonstrance of J Wetterson and others, against the construction of a sewer in South 7th street. Referred to Committee on Sewers.

Petition of Patrick McGonnel for a license to peddle fish, fruit and vegetables. Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Alexander Forsyth and others to have the sewer in Gregory street cleansed. Referred to Committee on sewers.

Petition of James Harper for a license to keep a junk shop at No. 343 South 6th street. Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Dennis Hogan for the abatement of a nuisance consisting of stagnant water at the corner of Warren street and Newark avenue. Referred to Committee on Public Health.

Petition of Patrick Coyle and others to have the street grade from the curb on the northeast corner of Warren and Montgomeery streets established eight feet above the official high water line, conformably to the profile map attached to the petition. Referred to the Committee on streets.

Petition of Patrick Duff and others, owners of property on Brunswick street, between South 8th street and Newark avenue, and a portion of South 6th street, between Brunswick street and Newark avenue, to have said portions of Brunswick and South 6th streets filled to the established grade, curbed, and guttered. Referred to Committee on streets.

Petition of James Ghalygan for a license to peddle fish, fruit, and vegetables. Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of D. S. Manners and others, property owners on the line of the main sewer, running through Newark avenue and Montgomery streets, to have a sewer constructed from the intersection of Henderson street and said avenue to the Hudson River, with all the necessary tributaries, according to the grade and general plan of sewerage laid down by the Water Commissioners, &c. Referred to Committee on Sewers.

Petition of John M. Christie and others, for the removal of nuisances from Newark avenue. Referred to Committee on Sewers.

Petition of John M. Fouquet to be appointed a City Surveyor. Laid upon the table.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows, viz :

Of William B. Dunning $38 35 and $30 75. Referred to Committee on Finance.

Of Nathaniel Ellis $33 48, and William B. Dunning $3 25. Referred to the Committee on Police.

Of Michael Hall $10 19, and Japhet Jardine, $2 48. Referred to the Committee on Fire and Water.

Of R. B. Kashaw $5 45, and $3 08. Referred to the Committee on Salaries, Offices, and Elections.

Of Wm. B. Dunning $14 65. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Of Wm. B. Dunning $6 25. Referred to Committee on Licenses.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz. :

Of Police Department $1,308 87, A. B. Reynolds, $50 07; Theodore A. Tupper, $21, and Mrs. Thomas Gallagher, $3.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to Committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct, and ordered paid, viz. :

Of R. B. Kashow, $99 23; H. A. Miller, $69 94; Ward & McGowan, $67 37; J. F. Richardson, $51 05 and $36 50; Robert Griglietti, $30 80; R. B. Kashow, $28 92, $12 50, $6 13 and R. B. Kashow, $3 13 : Hugh Reilly, $25 01; Seth Billington, $22 50; High Billingsley, $17 50; Mrs. Anna Eaton, 17; H. A. Miller, $15 78; H. & G. Soule, $15; Joseph Cooper, $5; Wm. J. Babcock, $2; Vanderbeck & Morrell, $1 75; Samuel Hetherington, $1 50 and $1 00, and William B. Dunning, 78 cents.

The claim of Peter Curley, amounting to $16 50, referred to committee on streets, May 31st, 1859, was returned by said committee, and the claim was referred to Alderman Earle.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of Fire Department, enclosing returns of the following elections, resignations and expulsions in said department, confirmed by the commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department: Elections of Samuel D. Bennett by Engine Co. No. 1; Thomas Dwyer, by Engine Co. 3; Thomas M. Garrett, by Engine Co. No. 5; James Brand and William H. Crane, by Hose Company No 2; James Hagerty and John Springsteen, by Hose Co. No. 3, and William E. Cox, by Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1. Resignations of Robert Duffy from Engine Co. No. 4; Thomas Taylor from Engine Co. No. 1; Jacob Garrison and Addison P. Rowly from Hose Co. No. 2; and Joseph Roworth from Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1. Expulsions of John Vanderbelt from Engine Co. No. 5; and John B. Moffat from Engine Co. No. 4.

The communications were received, and the action of the Commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department was approved and confirmed.

Communication from James Flemming, assessor, asking that the salary of the assessors be fixed at five hundred dollars each for the present year, &c. Laid upon the table.

Communication from Board of Education, enclosing communication received by them from City Missionary, asking that an appropriation of books be made to the Alms House, &c. Referred to committee on schools.

Communication from the Comptroller setting forth that he has been notified that improvement certificate No. 207, for $128 75, due April 30th, 1855, remains unpaid, etc. Referred to the committee on finance.

The city clerk presented a communication of C. F. Durant in reference to the construction of sewers in Newark avenue and Hudson streets, etc., referred to Committee on sewers July 22d, 1856, which communication was returned to the city clerk, June 8th, 1859, by ex-Alderman Drayton, who was chairman of the committee on sewers of the Common Council at the former date. The communication was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred on the 7th instant, the petition of George E. Cutter, late Collector of Arrears of Taxes, for a reconsideration of the action had in reference to his claim for extra services, presented an adverse report thereon, and asking that they may be discharged from its further consideration. The report was received and the request of the Committee granted.

The Committee on Finance who have in their possession a schedule of delinquent tax payers, presented a report accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be instructed to give notice through the papers of the city, that the list of persons who have not paid their tax on chattles for the years 1857 and 1858, will be published from the 1st to the 15th July, the names of such delinquents as shall pay their taxes to the Collector of Arrears of Taxes previous to the 1st day of July will be erased from the list. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred on the 10th instant, the petition of John McCoy, for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern at No. 134 Newark avenue, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That a license be granted to John McCoy to keep an Inn and Tavern at 164 Newark avenue corner of Bay, in the 4th ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Hankins, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred on the 7th instant, the petition of John Corrigan for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern at No. 110 Grove st., presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license be granted to John Corrigan to keep an Inn and Tavern at 110 Grove street in the 3d Ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst, and Aldermen Decker Earle, Hankins, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

The committee on streets, to whom was referred, on the 7th inst., the petition of Samuel Wescott and others for permission to lay horse railroad tracks in Jersey City, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by an ordinance entitled, "An ordinance to provide for the laying of iron rail track through the streets of Jersey City by the Hoboken and Jersey City Horse RR Co.," and by the following resolution:

Resolved, That Saturday, June 18th, 1859, at 5 o'clock p.m., be the time, and the city clerk's office, the place, when and where the committee on streets will meet to hear all parties interested in the laying horse railroad tracks through the streets of Jersey City.

The report was received, the ordinance laid upon the table, and the resolution was amended by striking out "June 18th" as the time of hearing, and "June 25th" inserted in its place, and as amended, was adopted.

The committee on streets, to whom was referred May 31st, 1859, the petition of John Pringle to have a sidewalk laid in Bright street, presented a report adverse to granting the prayer of the petitioner, "for the reason that the committee are satisfied that the street should be fully improved." The report was received and adopted.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred, on the 11th inst., the petition of John B. Rae, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at 115 Hudson street, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to John B. Rae to keep an inn and tavern at No. 115 Hudson street—"Atlantic Hotel"—in the First Ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clark, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—Aldermen Hankins, Ogden, and Thurston.

The Committee on Licenses, to whom was referred on the 7th instant, the petition of Michael Doyle, for a license to keep an inn and tavern, at No. 46 York street presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved—That a license be granted to Michael Doyle to keep an inn and tavern, at No. 46 York street in the 1st Ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Ald. Earle, Hankins, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

The Committee on Licenses, to whom was referred on the 7th inst. the petition of Thomas Lynch, for a license to keep a junk shop, at No. 11 Railroad avenue, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved—That a license to keep a junk shop at No. 11 Railroad avenue, be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the corporate seal of the city to Thomas Lynch, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Alderman Thurston.

The Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings to whom was referred May 31st, 1859, the petition of commissioners of the Fire Department for a suitable room in which to hold their meetings presented a report theron accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings be and are hereby authorized to hire for the use of the Fire Commissioners and Board of Trustees at a cost not to exceed two dollars and fifty cents per night; the room on the ground floor of the building at the junction of Henderson and Gregory streets used by the Young Mrn's Christian Association. The report was received.

The resolution was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh and Hankins.

Yeas—Aldermen Clarke, Decker, Edge, Hankins, McBride and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brow, Christie, Earle, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh:

Resolved, That the Marshal be requested to confer with the Board of Trustees having this room in charge, and request them to have removed to the lower part of the room the organ now standing near the reporters desk.

The resolution was adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman McLaughlin:

Resolved, That the committee on fire and water be, and they are hereby authorized to expend a sum not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars for a Hose Carriage for Engine Co. No. 5.

The resolution was adopted.

Alderman Hankins presented a resolution in reference to the public parks, which on motion of Alderman Hardenbergh was amended by the adoption of the following words:—"And to have the gates of said parks kept open during their discretion."

The resolution as amended was then adopted, and as passed, is as follows:

Resolved, That the Committee on public grounds and buildings be and are hereby directed to have seats placed in the public parks at a cost not to exceed fifty dollars, and to have the gates of said parks kept open during their discretion.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Warner:

Resolved, That the committee on lamps cause to have erected a lamp on the north-west corner of Jersey street and York, if it shall appear to the said committee that such lamp is required for the public good.

The resolution was adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Brown:

Resolved—That the committee on health be authorized to abate the nuisance at the corner of Warren street and Newark avenue. The expense of such abatement not to exceed the sum of fifty dollars. The resolution was rejected.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Earle:

Resolved that the committee on public grounds and buildings be directed to report at what expense walks can be laid in Washington square, and report to this Board at its next meeting. The resolution was adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh:

Resolved—That the officers of the city receiving monies belonging to the city, for all purposes except for licenses, be and are hereby instructed to deposit all such monies with the City Treasurer within twenty four hours after its reception, where such instructions do not conflict with existing ordinances of the city. The resolution was adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Thurston:

Resolved—That the committee on streets be authorized to have the paving-stones removed from Montgomery street, between Hudson street and Warren street, and from Hudson street from Montgomery street to York street, and have the streets graded for the purpose of laying Belgian pavement. The resolution was adopted.

On motion of Alderman McBride, the following resolution reported by the committee on licenses, on the 7th instant, and laid upon the table, was taken up for consideration:

Resolved—That a license be granted to James Lynch, to keep an inn and tavern at north-west corner Washington and Steuben streets, in the 2d ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Ald. Decker, Earle, Hankins, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

On motion of Alderman McBride, the following resolution, reported by the committee on licenses on the 7th instant, and laid upon the table was taken up for consideration:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Patrick Doyle to keep an inn and tavern at No. 51 Newark avenue, in the 2d Ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Alderman Hankins.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Warner:

Resolved, That the resolution whereby the communication from the Board of Education "relative to an Evening School, and the purchase of lots for a Colored School," was referred to the joint committee on schools and public grounds and buildings be rescinded.

The resolution was adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Warner:

Resolved, That the Committee on the Board of Aldermen relative to an Evening School and the purchase of lots for Colored School be referred to the committee on schools.

The resolution was adopted.

On motion of Ald. Hardenbergh, the ordinance entitled "An ordinance fixing salaries for eighteen hundred and fifty nine and eighteen hundred and sixty," was taken up for consideration.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh, the vote was reconsidered, by which the salary of each of the Assessors was, at the last meeting of the Common Council, fixed at four hundred dollars, and on his motion the ordinance was amended so as to read as follows: "Sec. 2—To each of the Assessors of Taxes the sum of five hundred dollars."

On motion of Ald. Hardenbergh, the vote was reconsidered, by which the salary of the Chief of Police was, at the last meeting, fixed at seven hundred dollars.

On motion of Ald. McLaughlin, the ordinance was amended so as to read as follows:

"To the Chief of Police, eight hundred dollars per annum."

Ald. Hardenbergh moved, that the vote be reconsidered by which the salary of the Chief of Police was fixed at eight hundred dollars, and that the ordinance read as follows:

"To the Chief of Police nine hundred dollars per annum."

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Earle, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Ogden, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—President Van Vorst, Aldermen Decker, McLaughlin and Thurston.

Absent—Ald. Hankins.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh, the vote was rescinded by which was fixed, at the last meeting, the compensation to be paid to the collector of arrears of taxes, and on his motion the following words were added to the clause: "And it shall be his duty at the end of his term of office to return a list of delinquent taxpayers, or when requested by the committee on finance."

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh, everything in the ordinance relating to the compensation to be paid to the Corporation Printer was stricken out. The ordinance was then passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen Brown and Christie, Clarke, Decker, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Ogden, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Earle, McLaughlin and Thurston

The following entitled ordinance was presented by Alderman Hardenbergh and laid upon the table:

"An ordinance defining the compensation of the City Printer."

On motion of Alderman Thurston, the claim of John Coar, amounting to $175, presented May 3d, 1859, for one quarter's salary for cleaning streets to June 1st, 1859, was taken up for consideration, and on motion of Alderman Tilden, the claim was ordered paid.

On motion of Alderman Tilden, the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.



COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, June 21st, 1859, at half-past seven o'clock P. M.

Present—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

The minutes of the regular meeting of June 14, 1859, were read and approved

Petitions, communications, etc., were presenteu, received and disposed of as follows :

Petition of Patrick Geary for a license to keep a junk shop at No. 260 Railroad avenue in the 3d ward. Ref. to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of John Pringle and others property owners on Bright street, representing that said street is and has been for years, in a filthy condition, and asking that the street from Grove to Jersey street, where not already done, be graded, paved, &c. Referred to Committee on Streets.

Petition of John Mullin to have the contract with A. B. Reynolds for laying Belgian Pavement rescinded, and a re-advertisement for proposals. Laid upon the table.

Petition of George McLaughlin and others to have the side walk on the east side of Grove st., from Mercer to Bay st. flagged to the full width, and cross walks laid on Railroad avenue on the east side. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Communication from Henry D. Holt, President on behalf of the First Congregational Church and society of Jersey City, asking that the organ used by them be permitted to remain in its present location in the Common Council Chamber, &c. Laid upon the table.

Petition of Daniel Harper and others in favor of the licensing of James Waldon to keep a junk shop at No. 350 South 8th street in the 3d ward. Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of William Gummer for a license to keep a junk shop at No. 102 Steuben street. Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Richard Cornelison for the abatement of a nuisance consisting of pools of stagnant water in Grand street between Barrow and Jersey streets. Referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Petition of Thomas Gilroy for a license to keep a junk shop at his house in the 3d ward. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows :

Of Theodore A. Tupper, $17 50; Ward & McGown, $8; and E. Pray, $6 97. Referred to committee on public grounds and buildings.

Of Philips & Roswell, $74; and Wm. B. Dumning $52 25 cents. Referred to committee on finance.

Of R. B. Kashow, $52 01. Referred to committee on police.

Of Ward & McGown, $39 11. Referred to committee on alms.

The following claims and accounts, presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the board, were reported correct, and ordered paid, viz.:

Of Nathaniel Ellis, $33 48; Peter Curley, $16 50; Michael Hall, $10 19; A. B. Reynolds, $6 95; William B. Dunning, $6 25, and $3 25; R. B. Kashow, $5 45, and $3 08, and Japhet Jardine, $2 48.

The resignation of Peter Scheel, as policeman, was presented, received, accepted, and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "Application to have established a street grade for the curb on the west side of Warren street, between York street and Railroad avenue," and the same was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "Application to have Newark avenue, from Warren street to Grove street, raised to the established grade with the side-walks, &c., and the same was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "Application to have Provost street, between South Second street and Pavonia avenue, including intersections, improved by filling to the established grade, curbing, guttering, etc.," and the same was received and ordered filed.

A communication from the Street Commissioner setting forth that complaints have been made to him of several pumps as nuisances, and recommending that they be removed and the wells filled up, was presented, received, and referred to committee on streets.

A communication from H. McComb, collector of assessments, stating that there is an error in the assessment upon Robb and Tucker's property, for regulating Morgan street, from Grove to Prospect street, and asking that the same may be rectified, was presented received, and referred to the committee on assessments, which committee subsequently presented a report thereto, and the following resolution;

Resolved—That Robb & Tucker be permitted to pay their proportion of assessments for regulating Morgan street, in accordance of number of feet owned by them. The report was received and resolution adopted.

A communication was presented from the Corporation Attorney, pursuant to resolution of June 7, 1859, setting forth that he is of opinion that receipts may be given at corporation sales, as contemplated in said resolution, accompanied by the following resolutions, and stating that he will submit at the next meeting of the board an ordinance on the subject.

Be it resolved, that at all sales of land, within the limits of Jersey City, for unpaid taxes, assessments, or water rents, it shall be the duty of the city clerk—instead of the declaration of sale, as heretofore issued to the purchasers of such land, to deliver to the purchasers at such sale a receipt, in writing, particularly specifying the amount paid by such purchaser or purchasers; and description of the lot or lots of land or real estate sold; for what taxes, assessments or water rents sold; and the time at which the right of the owner to redeem such lot or lots will expire.

And be it further resolved, that in case the owner of such land or real estate so sold for unpaid taxes, assessments or water rents, shall not cause the same to be redeemed within the time limited by the city charter, for the redemption of the same, the holder of the said receipt shall present the same to the Common Council of Jersey City, and that the said Common Council shall thereupon, if satisfied that the same is correct, order a declaration of sale for such lot or lots, in conformity to the direction of the city charter, to be executed by the Mayor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, and further, to direct the delivery of the same to the purchaser or purchasers of the said land or real estate, or his legal representatives.

Resolved, That the city clerk is hereby directed to issue to the purchasers at the tax sale of June 16, 1859, receipts of the kind described in the foregoing resolutions, and that the provisions of the above resolutions be applicable in all respects to the recent tax sale.

The communication was received and the resolutions were laid upon the table, and ordered to be printed.

A communication was presented from the Board of water commissioners, enclosing an estimate and description of the cost of building a sewer in South 7th st., under the application of John N. Flacre and others, presented May 3d, 1859. The communication was received and, with the petition, referred to the com. on sewers.

On motion of Alderman Tilden, it was

Resolved, That Friday, July 8th, 1859, at 7½ o'clock p. m., be and the same is hereby appointed as the time, and the city clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street, as the place when and where the committee on sewers of the Common Council of Jersey will meet for the purpose of hearing on the merits of the same, all parties interested in the application presented to this Common Council, May 3, 1839, of John N. Flacre and others, praying for the construction of a sew in South 7th street, from the intersection of Newark avenue to the easterly side of Prospect street, with its laterals, &c., and that the city clerk is hereby directed to publish in the corporation paper for the length of time required by the city charter notice of the presentation of the said application and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing, and to embrace in the said notice the estimate and description furnished by the board of water commissioners in their communication presented to this Common Council, June, 21, 1859.

The special committee to whom was referred all of the salary ordinance relating to the corporation printing, presented a report setting forth that an ordinance has been submitting in reference to that subject. The report was received and the committee discharged.

The Committee on Schools to whom was referred on the 14th instant, the subject of an evening school and the purchase of lots for colored school, presented a report thereon, which was received, read and recommitted to the committee on schools for further examination

The Committee on Streets presented contracts executed by Adrain B Reynolds for laying ten thousand yds. of Belgian pavement, and a bond for the fulfilment of said contract, with Samuel Wescott as surety, and on motion of Alderman Thurston, it was

Resolved, That the contracts which have been executed by Adrain B Reynolds for laying down ten thousand yds. of Belgian pavement be confirmed, and that the bond accompanying the same be approved and filed in the Comptroller's office.

The Committee on Streets presented a favorable report on the petition referred to them May 24, 1859, of Michael Mullone and others, for the establishment of a grade for the curb on the west side of Warren street between York street and Railroad avenue, accompanied by an ordinance, entitled "An ordinance to establish the street grade or curb on the west side of Warren st. between York st. and Railroad avenue." The report

was received and the ordinance laid upon the table.

The committee on sewers reported back the petition referred to them on the 14th instant, of J. M. Christie and others, for the removal of nuisances from Newark avenue, and recommended that the petition be referred to the committee on public health.

The report was received and it's recommendation adopted.

The committee on sewers, to whom was referred on the 14th instant, the petition of D. S. Manners and others, for the construction of a sewer through Newark avenue, from its intersection with Henderson street, and through Montgomery street to the Hudson River, presented a report recommending that the application be referred to the Board of Water Commissioners, with a request to furnish the necessary estimate and description. The report was received, and its recommendation adopted.

The committee on sewers, to whom was referred on the 14th instant, the petition of Alexander Forsyth and others, to have the Gregory street sewer cleaned, presented a report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved—That the committee on sewers are hereby authorised to have the sewer in Gregory street cleaned out, provided that the expense shall not exceed the sum of two hundred dollars. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred on the 20th instant, the petition of Joseph Shipley for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 265 Grand street, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved—That a license be granted to Joseph Shipley to keep an inn and tavern at No. 265 Grand street, in the third ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Hankins, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred on the 14th instant, the petition of Philip Smyth, for a license to keep an inn and tavern, at No. 269 Railroad avenue, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved—That a license be granted to Philip Smyth to keep an inn and tavern at No. 269 Railroad avenue, in the third ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Hankins, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

The Committee on licenses, to whom was referred, on the 20th inst., petition of Henry J. Callo for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 278 Newark avenue, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Henry J. Callo to keep an inn and tavern at No. 278 Newark avenue, in the Fourth Ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Hankins, Ogden, Thurston and Warner

The Committee on Licenses, to whom was referred on the 20th instant, the petition of Alexander McMillin for a license to keep an inn and tavern, at No. 52 Hudson street, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved—That a license be granted to Alexander McMillen to keep an inn and tavern, at No. 52 Hudson street in the 1st Ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—Ald. Decker, Earle, Hankins, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

The Committee on Licenses, to whom was referred on the 21st inst. the petition of Jacob Schmidt for a license to keep an inn and tavern at Nos. 15 & 17 Montgomery street, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved—That a license be granted to Jacob Schmidt to keep an inn and tavern at Nos. 15 and 17 Montgomery street, in the 2d Ward of Jersey City.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Hankins, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred on the 14th instant, the petition of Dennis Hogan for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern at No. 40 Warren st., presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Dennis Hogan to keep an Inn and Tavern at No. 40 Warren street in the second ward of Jersey City. The report was received

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken;

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Hankins, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred on the 21st instant, the petition of Christopher Flinspach for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern at No. 31 Newark avenue presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Christopher Flinspatch to keep an Inn and Tavern at No. 31 Newark avenue in the second ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken;

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Hankins, Ogden, Thurston, and Warner.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred on the 20th instant the petition of Thomas Corrigan for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern at No. 54 York street presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved that a license be granted to Thomas Corrigan to keep an inn and tavern at No 54 York street, in the second ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Decker, Earle, Hankins, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred on the 14th instant, the petition of Owen Lee for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern at No. 133 Greene st., presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved—That a license be granted to Owen Lee to to keep an inn and tavern at No. 133 Greene street, in the 2d ward of Jersey City.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Ald. Decker, Earle, Hankins, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

The committee on licences, to whom was referred on the 14th instant, the petition of Matthew Doyle for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 193 Greene st. presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Matthew Doyle to keep an inn and tavern at No. 193 Greene street, in the 2d Ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Ald. Decker, Earle, Hankins, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred on the 14th instant the petition of Robert Madigan for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 206 Grand st., presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Robert Madigan to keep an inn and tavern at No. 206 Grand street, in the 3d ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen Brown and Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Hankins, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred on the 14th instant the petition of John Schofield for a license to keep an inn and tavern at 189 Henderson st.

presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license be granted to John Schofield to keep an inn and tavern at No. 189 Henderson st., in the 3d Ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was then adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—Ald. Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred on the 14th instant, the petition of Wm. H. Frazee, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at north-west corner of Hudson and Grand streets, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved that a license be granted to Wm. H. Frazee, to keep an inn and tavern at north-west corner of Grand and Washington streets, in the second ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred on the 21st inst., the petition of James Mariner, for a licens to keep an inn and tavern at south-east corner of York and Hudson streets, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved—That a license be granted to James Mariner, to keep an inn and tavern at south east corner York and Hudson streets, in the first ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—Ald. Earle, Hankins, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred on the 14th instant, the petition of Orcutt & Brown for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 15 Montgomery street, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved—That a license be granted to Orcourt and Brown, to keep an inn and tavern at the Philadelphia Hotel, in the second ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred, June 14, 1859, the petition of James Harper, for a license to keep a junk shop at No. 343 South Sixth st., presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved—That a license to keep a junk shop at 343 South Sixth street, be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to James Harper, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Decker, Ogden and Thurston.

Absent—Ald. Edge.

The committee on licences, to whom was referred June 14, 1859, the petition of Thos. Clark for a license to keep a junk-shop at No. 70 Railroad avenue, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license to keep a junk shop at No. 70 Railroad avenue be issued by the Mryor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to Thomas Clark on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Alderman Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Ald. Hankins, Hardenbergh, Ogden and Thurston.

Absent—Ald. Edge.

The committee on licences, to whom was referred June 14th, 1859, the petition of James Gahagan for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetable, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city to James Gahagan, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred, June 14, 1859, the petition of Patrick McGonnell for a licence to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the mayor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to Patrick McGonnel on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred, June 14, 1859, the petition of Thomas Morrissey for a license to peddle, meat fish, fruit and vegetables, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the mayor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to Thos. Morrissey on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

On motion of Ald. Hardenbergh, the vote was reconsidered by which on the 24th May, 1859, the following resolution, reported by the committee on licenses, was rejected :

Resolved, That a license be granted to James Gafney to keep a junk shop at No. 63 Prospect st, and that the Mayor and city clerk issue the same, under the corporate seal of the city, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses :

The resolution was then adopted by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yess—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Ald. Hankins and Thurston.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Thurston :

Resolved, That Saturday, July 2d, 1859, be the time, and the City Clerk's Office, 23 Montgomery street the place where the Committee of Streets will meet for the purpose of hearing all parties interested in the application of Patrick Coyle and others to establish grade for curb on northeast corner of Warren and Montgomery streets, presented June 14, 1859, and that the City Clerk be instructed to publish in the Corporation paper for time required by law, notice of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing. The resolution was adopted.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Thurston :

Resolved, That Saturday, July 2, 1859, be the time, and the City Clerk's Office, 23 Montgomery st. the place where the Committee on Streets will meet to hear all parties interested in the application of Patrick Duff and others to have Brunswick st. between South 8th st. and Newark ave. and a portion of South 6th street between Brunswick street and Newark avenue filled to the established grade, curbed and guttered, presented June 14, 1859, and that the City Clerk is hereby instructed to publish for the length of time required by law notice of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing. The resolution was adopted.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Thurston :

Resolved, That the names of each individual on all the applications for licences to keep Inns and Taverns since the first of May, 1859, be published in the Corporation paper.

Alderman McLaughlin moved to lay the resolution on the table.

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Thurston, Edge and Earle :

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Voirst, and Aldermen Christie, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Ogden, Tourston and Warner.

The resolution was then rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald. Thurston, Earle and Hankins,

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Christie, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Nays—Ald. Brown, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh Hoff-

man, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden:

Alderman Warner offered the following resolution :

Resolved—That the Board of Education be authorized to supply the school at the alms house with suitable books.

On motion of Ald. Earle, the resolution was amended by striking out the woeds *Board of Education*, and inserting *Committee on Schools*, and by adding the following words *at an expense not to exceed fifteen dollars.*

The resolution as amended was adopted, and as passed, is as follows :

Resolved—That the Committee on Schools be authorized to supply the school at the Alms-house with suitable books, at an expense not to exceed fifteen dollars.

Ald. Tilden offered the following resolution :

The following entitled ordinance was presented by Alderman Tilden and laid upon the table viz :

An ordinance amendatory to an ordinance passed June 17, 1858 in relation to the constructing of sewers in Jersey City.

Alderman Hoffman moved "That a special committee of three be appointed to confer with the city attorney and report whether there is a grade established for Newark Avenue.

The motion was adopted ; and Aldermen Hoffman, Hardenbergh and McLaughlin were appointed such committee.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the petition of John M. Fouquet to be appointed a city surveyor presented June 14, 1859 was taken from the table.

On motion of Alderman Brown the petition was referred to the committee on streets.

On motion of Ald. Hoffman, it was unanimously

Resolved—That the rule requiring a balloting be suspended, to enable the board to appoint, viva voce, an Inspector and Sealer of weights and measures, and on his motion, Jeremiah Clark was unanimously appointed.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh :

Resolved—That the City Attorney be instructed to withdraw the suit against the sureties of Samuel Sinclair, late collertor of taxes—said deficiency for which said suit was instituted having been made good, in the sum of $201 95, the same having been deposited to the credit of the City Treasurer. The resolution was adopted.

On motion of Ald. Clarke the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday, June 28th, 1859, at half-past seven o'clock P. M.

Present—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Alderman Decker was absent at the calling of the roll but subsequently appeared and took his seat.

Absent—Aldermen Christie, Edge, Hoffman, McBride, and McLaughlin.

The minutes of the last regular meeting held on the 21st inst. were read.

On motion of Alderman Earle they were amended by striking out his name and inserting that of Alderman Hardenbergh as the mover of the amendment to strike out the words "Board of Education" and insert in their place the words "Committee on Schools," in Alderman Warner's resolution to supply the Alms House School with books.

The minutes as amended were then approved.

Petition of Seneca Alger and others to have South 1st street from Pavonia avenue to Jersey avenue paved and the side walks flagged. Ref. to Committee on Streets.

Petition of Owen Donohue for a license to keep a junk shop at No. 6 Washington street. Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Charles Nieway for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables. Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Julian P. Chazotte to be appointed a policeman to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Peter Scheel. Laid upon the table.

Petitions of James Dickson, John G. Haybeck and David Clark to be appointed policemen for the second ward. Laid upon the table.

Official bond of Jeremiah M. Clark, inspector and sealer of weights and measures, with Joshua A. French and William Roosevelt as sureties. Approved and ordered filed in the Comptroller's Office.

Petition of John Kiernan for the privilege of redeeming his lot sold to the City Treasurer for water rents to May 1855. Referred to Committee on Finance.

Writ of Certiorari of Isaac J. Vanderbeck and others prosecutors, to remove into the Supreme Court the proceedings touching the construction of sewer in Wayne street, Newark avenue, &c. Referred to the City Clerk with instructions to make the necessary return thereto.

Communication from James Flemming, Jr., (accompanied by an affidavit) asking for a certified copy of the official bond of James B. Dunn as Constable, for the purpose of prosecuting the same. Referred to Committee on Laws and Ordinances.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Of William D. Stivers, $18 37; Clarkson Wilson, $14; Thomas Royle, $10; R. B. Kashow, $9 67 and Japhet Jardine, $1 25. Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of Robert B. Kashow, $22 36, $10 06 and $4 63. Ref. to Committee on Salaries, Offices and Elections.

Of Stephen Quaife, $35; and William B. Dunning, $6 50. Referred to Committee on Finance.

Of Matthew Erwin, $88 18. Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of Theodore A. Tupper, $21. Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of William B. Dunning, $9. Referred to Committee on Police.

Of Thomas Royle, $3 31. Referred to Committee on Sewers.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz.:

Of Henry French, $485 and R. B. Kashow, $19.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Ward & McGown, $39 11: Theodore A. Tupper, $17 50; Ward & McGown, $3 and E. Pray, $6 97.

A communication was presented from the Comptroller enclosing a notice from the Mechanics' and Traders' Bank of N. York City, that sundry improvement certificates are due. The communication and notice were referred to the Committee on Finance.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department enclosing returns of the following elections and resignations in said department, confirmed by the Commissioners of the Fire Department

Elections of James O'Brien by Engine Co. No. 3 and J. V. Thurston by Hose Co. No. 2.

Resignation of Henry Coleman from Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1.

The communications were received and the action of the Commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department as approved and confirmed.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred, June 14, 1859, the communication from the Comptroller notifying the Common Council that Improvement certificate No. 207 for $128 75 is due and unpaid, presented a report setting forth that said improvement certificate has since been paid. The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred, June 21, 1859, the petition of George McLaughlin and others, to have the side walk on the east side of Grove street from Mercer to Bay street flagged to the full width, and cross walks laid on the east side of Railroad avenue presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution, appointing a time and place for a hearing:

Resolved, That Saturday, July 25, 1859, at 7½ o'clock p. m., be the time, and the City Clerk's Office the place where the Committee on Streets will meet to hear all parties interested in the application of George McLaughlin and others, presented June 21, 1859, for laying side walk in Grove street and cross walks on Railroad avenue. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on streets to whom was referred June 21st, 1859, the petition of John Pringle and others representing that Bright street is and has been for years in a filthy condition and asking that said street from Grove to Jersey street where not already done be graded, paved, &c., presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution appointing a time and place for a hearing:

Resolved, That Saturday, July 25 1859, at 7½ o'clock p. m., be the time, and the City Clerk's Office, 23 Montgomery street, be the place; where the committee on streets will meet to hear all parties interested in the application of John Pringle and others for the improvement of Bright street. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

On motion of Alderman Thurston it was—

Resolved, That the committee on public grounds and buildings be instructed to ascertain and report upon what terms Metropolitan Hall can be obtained for the use of this common council.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted:

Resolved, That the City Clerk be instructed to have published in pamphlet form 100 copies of the Ordinances of the city, of a general character.

The following resolutions were offered by Alderman Hardenbergh:

Resolved, That the committee on finance be instructed to borrow the sum of sixteen hundred and eight dollars and forty-two cents, and to issue therefor an improvement bond or bonds, said bond or bonds to be dated from the 1st day of July, 1859, and to be drawn payable in one year from date, with interest thereon at the rate of seven per cent. per annum, said amount being required for the payment of sundry improvement certificates past due, viz:

Improvement South 6th street, Prospect st. to Newark avenue - - - - - -	$366 00
Improvement South 7th street from Monmouth to Brunswick street, - - -	336 32
Improvement Monmouth st. between South 2d and South 8th street - - - - -	239 00
Improvement Wayne street, from Jersey st. to Putnam street, - - - - -	167 10
Total, - - - - - - - -	$1,608 42

Resolved, That the city clerk be instructed and His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the said bond or bonds upon requisition of committee on finance, under the corporate seal of the city.

The resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Clarke, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Christie, Decker, Edge, Hoffman, McBride and McLaughlin.

Ald. Decker appeared and took his seat.

The following resolutions were offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn in favor of Benjamin O. Edge for the sum of fifty-six dollars and ninety-six cents, with interest thereon at the rate of seven per cent. per annum from the date of sale; being the amount of purchase money paid into the City Treasury for the purchase of lots 58, 60 and 62, Grand st., block No. 31, assessed to J. F. Shippen, and sold, March 23d, 1857, for taxes of 1855.

Resolved, That the city clerk be and is hereby directed to deliver to the said Benjamin O. Edge a warrant for the amount above mentioned, upon his delivering to the city clerk the declaration of sale issued to him, un-

der the corporate seal of the city, for the above mentioned property, and that the sale of the said property be cancelled of record.

Resolved, That the resolution of May 31st, 1859, relative to said property, passed by the Common Council, be and is hereby rescinded.

The following resolutions were offered by Ald. Hardenbergh and adopted:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn in favor of John B. Vroom for the sum of twenty-one dollars eighty-two cents ($21 82), with interest thereon at the rate of seven per cent. per annum from date of sale, being the amount of purchase money paid into the City Treasury by the said John B. Vroom for purchase of lot 36 Prospect st, block 48, assessed to C. Caligan, and sold March 23d, 1857, for taxes of 1856.

Resolved, That the city clerk be and is hereby directed to deliver to the said John B. Vroom the above mentioned warrant, upon his delivering to the city clerk the declaration of sale issued by him, under the corporate seal of the city, for the above mentioned property, and that the sale of the said property be cancelled of record.

Resolved, That the resolution of the Common Council, passed May 31st 1859, be and is hereby rescinded.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Hardenbergh and adopted:

Resolved, That the several paragraphs of the message of the Mayor of the current year and those not acted on of last year be committed to the appropriate standing committees to be reported upon by them at a future day

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Hardenbergh and adopted:

Resolved, That the city clerk cause to have published in pamphlet form the Mayor's message and accompanying documents to the number of 300 hundred copies; said pamphlets to be distributed equally between the members of the Board of Aldermen and the Mayor of the city.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Hardenbergh and adopted:

Resolved, That the committee on alms be requested to report to the Common Council at an early period upon the propriety of purchasing grounds within the limits of the county for a Poor House Farm.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Hankins:

Resolved, That the committee on public grounds and buildings be and are hereby directed to have walks made in Washington Square, at a cost not to exceed sixty-five dollars each, and the work to be done under the direction of the committee on public grounds and buildings and the street commissioner.

The resolution was laid upon the table.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Tilden and adopted:

Resolved, That the water commissioners be and they are hereby requested to have an estimate made of the cost of placing iron pipes or syphons under the canal in place of the wooden syphons now in use and attached to the sewers in Henderson and Grove streets, and report the same at an early date.

Ald. Hardenbergh offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the President of this Board be requested to report at the next meeting of this Board what action (if any) has been taken by the water commissioners relative to a sewer in Newark avenue.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh, Brown and Tilden:

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Clarke, Decker, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nay—Alderman Earle.

Absent—Aldermen Christie, Edge, Hoffman, McBride and McLaughlin.

Ald. Thurston offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the resolutions be and the same are hereby reconsidered, which were passed on the 21st instant, appointing Saturday, July 2d, 1859, as the time for a hearing of parties interested in the applications to establish a grade for the curb on the north east corner of Warren and Montgomery streets, and to have Brunswick street between South 8th street and Newark avenue improved.

The resolution was adopted.

The resolutions referred to were then amended on motion of Ald. Thurston, by striking out in each resolution July 2d, 1859, as the time of hearing, and inserting *July 25th*, 1859, at *7½ o'clock p. m.*, as the date of a hearing in each case.

The resolutions as amended were then adopted, and as adopted are as follows:

Resolved, That Saturday, July 25th, 1859, at 7½ o'clock p. m., be the time, and the city clerk's office, 23 Montgomery street, the place where the committee on streets will meet to hear all parties interested in the application of Patrick Duff and others to have Brunswick street, between South 8th st. and Newark avenue, and a portion of South 6th street, between Brunswick street and Newark avenue, filled to the established grade, curbed and guttered, presented June 14, 1859, and that the city clerk is hereby instructed to publish for the length of time required by law notice of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

Resolved, That Saturday, July 25th, 1859, at 7½ o'clock p. m., be the time, and the city clerk's office, 23 Montgomery street, the place where the committee on streets will meet for the purpose of hearing all parties interested in the application of Patrick Coyle and others to establish grade for curb on the north east corner of Warren and Montgomery st, presented June 14th, 1859, and that the city clerk be instructed to publish in the corporation paper for the length of time required by law notice of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

On motion of Ald. Tilden the following entitled ordinance presented June 21, 1859, and laid upon the table, was taken up for consideration, viz.:

"An ordinance amendatory to an ordinance, passed June 17, 1859, in relation to the constructing of sewers in Jersey City."

The ordinance was amended in its title by striking out the word AMENDATORY, and inserting in its place SUPPLEMENTARY: by adding the following words immediately after its title, "THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF JERSEY CITY DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:" and by inserting the word "*that*" in the ordinance immediately before the words "*may hereafter be made*," and also by striking out the word "*wilfully*."

The ordinance as amended was then passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Clarke, Decker, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Earle.

Absent—Aldermen Christie, Edge, Hoffman, McBride and McLaughlin.

On motion of Ald. Hardenbergh, the following entitled ordinance, presented and laid upon the table May 31st, 1859, was taken up for consideration, viz:

"An ordinance for the assessment of an annual tax for the year ending 1859, exclusive of a poll tax."

The ordinance was considered and amended as follows:

For street repairs, two thousand dollars.

For lighting streets, nine thousand dollars.

For day and night police, sixteen thousand dollars.

Pending the consideration of the ordinance on motion of Ald. Hardenbergh, the Board adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, July 5th, 1859, at half-past seven o'clock P. M.

Present—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Alderman Edge.

The minutes of the regular meeting of June 28, 1859, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, &c., were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Communication from Jas. O'Brien, charging Policeman Strong with committing an assault and battery on him on the 4th inst. Referred to committee on police.

Petition of Jacob Erwin and others to establish the boundary lines of Newark avenue and remove all encroachments now on Newark avenue, from Warren st. to the western boundary of Jersey City. Referred to committee on streets.

Rule for certiorari to remove proceedings touching the building of sewer in Wayne street, Railroad avenue and Newark avenue, and the general plan of sewerage.

Referred to the corporation attorney.

Communication from Stephen F. Jaquins, charging William Strong, policeman, with assault on the 4th inst. Referred to committee on police.

Communication from Michael Keefe, charging Wm. Strong, policeman, with assault on the 4th inst. Referred to committee on police.

Petition of Charles F. Durant to have established a street grade or curb on York, Montgomery and Gregory streets, between Warren and Henderson streets, conformably to profile map accompanying the application, and to correspond with present actual regulation of Henderson street and the south side of York street. Referred to committee on streets.

Petition of Andrew Clerk and others, owners of property on South 3d street, to have said street, between the centre of Prospect street and the westerly side of Provost street, filled in to the established grade, paved, curbed and guttered, and both sidewalks flagged four feet where not already done and where curbing, guttering and flagging may be required. Referred to committee on streets.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Of Drayton & Durant, $101 95; Hugh Reilly, $15 91; and Isaac Wakefield, $4 90.

Referred to committee on alms.

Of J. F. Richardson, $35; High Billingsly, $18 and $4. Referred to committee on lamps.

Of Robert B. Kashow, $37 50; Theodore A. Tupper, $17 50, and Isaac Wakefield, $2 50. Referred to committee on public grounds and buildings.

Of Nathaniel Ellis, $27 28; J. F. Richardson, $12, and A. P. Rikeman, $750. Referred to committee on police.

A claim of Fourth Section of Hudson County Artillery, amounting to $29 50, for firing salute July 4, 1859, was presented, referred to the committee on public grounds and buildings, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz.:

Of Wm. B. Dunning, $88 35; Matthew Erwin, $88 18; Phillips & Boswell, $74; Wm. B. Dunning, $52 25; Stephen Quaife, $35; Wm. B. Dunning, $30 75, $14 65, and $3 50; Robert B. Kashow, $22 38, $10 06, $9 67, $7 44, and $4 63; Theodore A. Tupper, $21; Wm. D. Stivers, $18 37; Clarkson Wilson, $14; Thomas Royle, $10 and $3 31, and Japhet Jardine, $1 25.

The City Treasurer's report, showing a balance in the treasury June 30th, 1859, of $11,932 72, was presented, received, and ordered filed.

A communication was presented from the Board of Water Commissioners stating, that inasmuch as on the 14th of Sep. last, they prepared and submitted an estimate &c., of the cost of building a sewer in Newark avenue, between Henderson street and the Hudson River, and also, for the construction of a sewer in Railroad avenue, that they deem it unnecessary to prepare a new estimate under the application referred to said Board, June 21st, 1859, of D. S. Manners and others, for the construction of a main sewer through Newark avenue, from Henderson street to the Hudson River, etc. The communication was received and ordered filed.

A communication was presented from the collector of arrears of taxes recommending that the time allowed for delinquent personal taxpayers to pay their taxes before publication be extended to the first of August. Referred to the committee on finance, which committee presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the committee on finance be instructed to withhold from publication until August 1st, 1859, the list of delinquent taxpayers for unpaid taxes on personal property and poll tax. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on finance, to whom was referred June 28, 1859, the petition of John Kiernan for the privilege of redeeming his lot, sold to the city treasurer for water rents to May, 1855, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That permission be granted to John Kiernan to redeem his lot or part of lot B in block A on Merseles' map, upon his paying into the city treasury interests, costs and expenses, and that upon said payment the declaration of sale to the city treasurer be cancelled of record. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on finance, to whom was referred June 28, 1859, the communication from the comptroller, enclosing notice from the Mechanics' and Traders' Bank of N. Y. City, that sundry improvement certificates are due presented a report returning the said communication it having been acted on by resolution at last meeting. The report was received and ordered filed.

The committee on laws and ordinances, to whom was referred, June 28, 1859, the communication from James Flemming, Jr., accompanied by an affidavit asking for a certified copy of the official bond of James B. Dunn, a constable, presented a report setting forth "that a copy of said bond may be obtained by application at the office of the city comptroller." The report was received and ordered filed.

The committee on streets reported the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the resolution passed June 28th, 1859, appointing a time and place for a hearing of parties interested in the application of George McLaughlin and others for the improvement of the sidewalk on the east side of Grove street, from Mercer street to Bay street, be and the same is hereby rescinded.

Resolved, That Saturday, July 30th, 1859, at 7½ o'clock, p.m., is hereby appointed as the time, and the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street as the place, when and where the committee of this Common Council on streets will meet for the purpose of hearing on the merits of the same all parties interested in the application presented June 21st, 1859, of George McLaughlin and others to have the sidewalk in Grove st., on the east side, from Mercer to Bay street, flagged out to full width and crosswalks laid on Railroad avenue on the east side; and that the city clerk is hereby instructed to publish in the corporation paper for the length of time required by law notice of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing. The report was received and the resolutions were adopted.

The committee on streets reported the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the resolution passed June 28th, 1859, appointing a time and place for a hearing of parties interested in the application of John Pringle and others for the improvement of Bright street, be and the same is hereby rescinded.

Resolved—That Saturday, July 30th, 1859, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., is hereby appointed as the time, and the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street, as the place when and where the committee of this Common Council on streets will meet for the purpose of hearing on the merits of the same all parties interested in the application, presented June 21, 1859, of John Pringle and others, to have Bright street, from Grove street to Jersey street, where not already done, graded, paved, curbed, guttered and flagged; and that the City Clerk is hereby instructed to publish in the Corporation Paper, for the length of time required by law, notice of the appointment of the at ove-named time and place for a hearing.

The report was received and the resolutions were adopted.

The committee on streets reported the following resolutions:

Resolved—That the resolution passed June 28, 1859, appointing a time and place for a hearing of parties interested in the application of Patrick Duff and others, to have Brunswick street, between South Eighth street and Newark avenue and South Sixth street, between Brunswick street and Newark avenue, filled to the established grade, etc., be and the same is hereby rescinded.

Resolved—That Saturday, July 30, 1859, at 7½ o'clock P.M. is hereby appointed as the time, and the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street, as the place when and where the committee of this common council on streets will meet, for the purpose of hearing on the merits of the same, all parties interested in the application presented June 14, 1859, of Patrick Duff and others, to have Brunswick street, between South Eighth street and Newark avenue, and South 6th st. between Brunswick st. and Newark ave filled to the established grade, curb-

ed and guttered, and that the City Clerk is hereby instructed to publish in the Corporation Paper, for the length of time required by law, notice of the appointment of the above-named time and place for a hearing.

The report was received and the resolutions were adopted.

The committee on streets reported the following resolutions :

Resolved—That the resolution passed June 28, 1859, appointing a time and place for a hearing of parties interested in the application of Patrick Coyle and others, to have the street grade established for the curb on the northeast corner of Warren and Montgomery streets, conformably to profile map attached to said application, be and the same is hereby rescinded.

Resolved—That Saturday, July 30, 1859, at 7½ o'clock P.M., is hereby appointed as the time, and the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street, as the place when and where the committee on streets of this common council will meet for the purpose of hearing on the merits of the same all parties interested in the application, presented June 14, 1859, of Patrick Coyle and others, to have established the street grade for the curb on the northeast corner of Warren and Montgomery streets, to be eight feet above the official high water line, conformably to the profile map accompanying the application, and that the City Clerk is hereby instructed to publish in the corporation paper, for the length of time required by law, notice of the appointment of the above-named time and place for a hearing.

The report was received and the resolutions were adopted.

The committee on streets, to whom was referred June 28, 1859, the petition of Seneca Alger and others, to have South First street, from Pavonia avenue to Jersey avenue, paved, and the side-walks flagged, presented a report recommending that the petition be returned to the petitioners for the reason, "that South First street does not run from Pavonia avenue to Jersey avenue, the prayer of the petitioners being evidently a mistake." The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The committee on streets, to whom was referred June 21, 1859, the communication from the Street Commissioner, setting forth that gvarious pumps have been complained of as nuisances and useless, presented a report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That the street commissioner be and is hereby directed to remove the following named pumps and cause the wells to be properly flagged over :

One in Warren street, opposite house No. 89.

One in Montgomery street, opposite building No. 4

One in Nowark avenue, opposite No. 80½.

One at the junction of Newark avenue and Bay st.

And one at the north-west corner of Prospect street and South 2d street. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on streets, to whom was referred May 10, 1859, the petition of Patrick Riley to have Provost st. between South 2d and Pavonia avenue, including intersections, improved by filling to the established grade, curbing, guttering and flagging the sidewalks four feet wide and laying bridge stone crosswalks, presented a favorable report thereon submitting the following entitled ordinance, viz.:

An ordinance to provide for filling in to the established grade, curbing, guttering and flagging the sidewalks four feet wide, and laying bridge stone cross walks in Provost street, between South 2d street and Pavonia avenue, including intersections. The report was received and the ordinance laid upon the table.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred June 28th, 1859, the petition of Charles Nieway for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to Charles Nieway, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred June 21, 1859, the petition of Patrick Geary for a license to keep a junk shop at No. 260 Railroad avenue, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license to keep a junk shop at No. 260 Railroad avenue be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to Patrick Geary, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The report was received. The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Alderman Thurston.

Absent—Aldermen Clarke and Edge.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred June 21, 1859, the petition of Wm. Gummer, for a license to keep a junk shop, at No. 102 Steuben street, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved—That a license to keep a junk shop at No. 102 Steuben street, Jersey City, be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to Wm. Gummer, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Thurston.

Absent—Ald. Clarke and Edge.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred June 21st, 1859, the petition of James Weldon for a license to keep a junk shop, at No. 350 South Eighth st., presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved—That a license to keep a junk shop at No. 350 South Eighth street, be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to Jas. Weldon, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Thurston.

Absent—Ald. Clarke and Edge.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred June 28, 1859, the petition of Owen Donohue for license to keep a junk shop at No. 6 Washington street, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license to keep a junk shop at No. 6 Washington street, First Ward, be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to Owen Donohue, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The report was received. The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Hardenbergh and Thurston.

Absent—Aldermen Clarke and Edge.

The committee on public grounds and buildings, who were instructed by resolution passed June 28th, 1859, to ascertain upon what terms Metropolitan Hall can be procured for the use of the Common Council, presented a report accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That the committee on public grounds and buildings be and are hereby authorized to rent Metropolitan Hall, for the use of the Common Council, at a price not to exceed four hundred dollars per annum.

The report was received.

Alderman Earle moved that the resolution be laid upon the table.

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh, Earle and Hoffman :

Yeas—Aldermen Clarke, Decker, Earle, McLaughlin, Ogden and Warner.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Thurston and Tilden.

Absent—Alderman Edge.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh, Earle and Hoffman:

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Thurston and Tilden.

Nays—Aldermen Clarke, Decker, Earle, McLaughlin, Ogden and Warner.

Absent—Alderman Edge.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Clarke, and adopted :

Resolved—That the committee on lamps cause the lamps on Washington square to be lighted on Monday evening, July 11, and to make sufficient arrangements for the preservation of order.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hankins, and adopted:

Resolved—That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the committee on public grounds and Buildings for ninety-one dollars, being the amount paid by said committee to H. B. Dodworth, for the services of his band on the evening of the 4th instant, at the exhibition of fire-works near Van Vorst square.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Clarke, and adopted:

Resolved—That the committee on lamps be and are hereby authorized to have gas lamps and posts erected at the following places:

One corner of North 1st and Prospect sts.
One do do 2d do
One on 2d street, between Grove and Erie sts.
One on 2d street, corner of Cole street.
One on 3d street, do do
One on 4th street, between Cole and Monmouth sts.
One on 4th street, corner of Monmouth st.
One on 4th street, bet. Monmouth and Brunswick sts.
One on 4th street, corner of Brunswick st.
One on 5th street, " Monmouth st.
One on 5th street, between Monmouth and Brunswick.
One on 5th street, corner of Brunswick st.
One corner of Varick and Wayne sts.
One " " and Railroad avenue.
One " Railroad ave. and Jersey st.
One on Railroad ave. between Barrow and Jersey st.
One on " " Barrow and Grove sts.
One on Jersey st. corner York st.
One on Montgomery bet. Henderson and Van Vorst st.
One on do corner of Van Vorst st.
One on Sussex st. between Greene and Hudson sts.
One on Greene st. corner of Railroad.
One on Washington, between Sussex and Morris sts.
Making in all 23 lamps.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Thurston and adopted;

Resolved, That the cost ($555.45) for flagging the sidewalk on the east side of Hudson street, from Wayne st. to Mercer street, completed in December, 1854, be referred to the committee on streets, for the purpose of having the same collected.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Alderman Thurston and adopted:

Whereas in the year 1843, Hudson street, from Essex to Montgomery streets, was regulated and paved by order of the Common Council, and the payment of the expenses of the said improvement ($1,409.50) was offered by the Jersey Associates to the Common Council and by them refused for the reason that the title to the property on the east side of Hudson street was at that time in dispute, and whereas the title to said property has since been settled, leaving the assessment of said improvement unpaid, therefore,

Resolved, That the assessment for regulating and paving Hudson street, from Essex to Montgomery streets, be referred to the committee on streets, for the purpose of having the same collected.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh, and adopted:

Resolved, That a warrant for twenty-four hundred and seventy-five dollars be drawn in favor of P. D. Vroom, clerk of the Board of Education for the payment of Teachers' salaries due August 1st, 1855.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted;

Resolved. That the City Attorney be requested to report to the next meeting of this Board, whether any, and if any, what authority exists for the driving of piles by the Morris Canal Co., in the waters of the Bay below Bergen street.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Tilden:

Resolved, That the committee on streets be, and they are hereby instructed to pave Hudson street from York to Grand street with Belgian pavement.

The resolution was laid upon the table.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh:

Resolved, That the City Clerk be, and is hereby instructed to furnish each of the city offices with a Jersey City Directory for the year 1855.

The resolution was rejected.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh, the following entitled ordinance presented May 31st, 1855, and laid upon the table was taken up for consideration, viz.:

"An ordinance for the assessment of an annual tax for the year ending 1859, exclusive of a Poll Tax."

The ordinance was considered and amended. On a motion of Alderman Ogden to insert seven thousand dollars as the appropriation for support of the Alms House and Hospital.

The following was the vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Thurston, Hardenbergh and McLaughlin:

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Christie, Hardenbergh, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Aldermen Clarke and Edge.

The title of the ordinance was amended so as to read as follows:

"An ordinance for the assessment of an annual tax for the year ending May 1st, 1860, exclusive of a Poll Tax."

The ordinance as amended was then passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Decker, Earle, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—President Van Vorst, Hankins, Hardenbergh, and Thurston.

Absent—Aldermen Clarke and Edge.

Subsequently the vote by which the ordinance was passed was reconsidered on motion of Alderman McLaughlin.

The ordinance was farther amended.

The ordinance as amended was then rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Decker, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—President Van Vorst, and Aldermen Hankins, Hardenbergh and Thurston.

Absent—Aldermen Clarke, Earle, Edge, and Hoffman

On motion of Alderman Thurston the following entitled ordinance presented April 19, 1859, and laid upon the table was taken up for consideration, viz.:

"An ordinance to provide for the filling in to the established grade and paving Morgan street from Prospect to Green streets."

The title of the ordinance was amended so as to read as follows:

"An ordinance to provide for the filling in to the established grade and paving, curbing, guttering and flagging the side walks in Morgan street from Prospect to Greene streets including all intersections."

The first section of the ordinance was amended so as to read as follows:

"Section 1st. That Morgan street from Prospect to Greene st. including all intersections be filled in to the established grade and paved, curbed, guttered and the side walks flagged four feet wide."

The ordinance as amended was then passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Clarke and Edge.

On motion of Alderman Thurston the following entitled ordinance presented May 24, 1859, and laid upon the table was taken up for consideration, viz.:

"An ordinance to provide for the opening of a street to be an extension of Jersey street from the points where the same is now open to the southerly side of Newark avenue."

The second section of the ordinance was amended by inserting the following names as Commissioners of Assessment, &c., James Flemming, John V. Brower and George McLaughlin.

The fourth section of the ordinance was amended by inserting the date "first day of October,"

The ordinance as amended was then passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None

Absent—Aldermen Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge and Hoffman

Alderman Van Vorst was excused from voting.

On motion of Alderman Thurston, the following entitled ordinance presented April 19, 1859, and laid upon the table was taken up for consideration:

"An ordinance to provide for filling in to the established grade, curbing, guttering and paving and laying crosswalks at all intersections in Coles street between South Fourth street and the south side of South Second street."

The ordinance was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Decker, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.
Absent—Aldermen Clarke, Earle, Edge and Hoffman.
The following resolution was offered by Alderman Thurston :

Resolved, That a special committee be appointed in conjunction with the Street Commissioner to lay out walks, grade and grass Hamilton Square.

The resolution was adopted and Aldermen Thurston, Hankins and Earle were appointed the committee.

On motion of Alderman Tilden the Board then adjourned. GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Special meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, July 12, 1859, at 7½ o'clock p. m.

Present—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Clarke, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Christie and Decker.

The call of the meeting was read by the city clerk and is as follows :

To the Hon. D. S. Gregory, Mayor of Jersey City :

The undersigned respectfully request that a special meeting of the Common Council be called, for the purpose of passing an ordinance in relation to Newark avenue, and receiving and considering reports from various committees. We ask that the meeting be held at the Common Council Chamber, on to-morrow evening, the 12th inst., at 7½ o'clock. We are resp.,

CORN'S VAN VORST,
J. V. THURSTON,
S. M. HOFFMAN.

Jersey City, July 11th, 1859.

To Geo. W. Cassedy, Esq., Clerk :

Let this meeting be called, and as the corporation council wishes to report on other matters, have the meeting called for other purposes.

D. S. GREGORY.

Jersey City, July 11th, 1859.

I am not officially informed that the ordinance has been introduced. If not, it cannot be acted upon at a special meeting.

The committee on finance reported the following resolution :

Resolved that the city clerk be instructed to have published for the usual length of time the list of property sold September 10th, 1857, for unpaid assessments.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The special committee, appointed June 21st, 1859, to confer with the city attorney, and report whether there is a grade established for Newark avenue, presented a majority report signed by Aldermen Hardenbergh and McLaughlin, and a minority report, signed by Alderman Hoffman.

The majority report was laid upon the table, and the minority report was received and ordered filed.

The committee on laws and ordinances to whom was referred, May 3d, 1859, sundry ordinances, presented a report returning and recommending the passagse of an ordinance entitled—

"An ordinance to provide for the flagging where the same is not flagged, widening the flagging where the same is not of sufficient width, and repairing the flagging and cross-walks where the same are out of repair, Newark avenue, from the westerly side of Warren street to the easterly side of Jersey avenue, on both sides."

The title of the ordinance was amended by adding the following words :

"And for filling to the established grade the carriage way of Newark avenue, from the westerly side of Warren street to the westerly side of Grove street."

The first section of the ordinance was amended by adding the following words :

"And for filling to the established grade the carriage way of Newark avenue, from the westerly side of Warren street to the westerly side of Grove street."

The ordinance as amended was then passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Clarke, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hoffman, McBride, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—Aldermen Hardenbergh and McLaughlin.

Absent—Aldermen Christie and Decker.

The city attorney, who by resolution of July 5th, 1859, was requested to report whether any, and if any, what authority exists for the driving of piles by the Morris Canal Co. in the waters of the Bay, below Bergen street, presented his opinion in the matter.

The opinion was received and ordered to be published in the minutes, said opinion being as follows :

To The Hon. the Common Council of Jersey City :

My opinion has been requested whether any, and if any, what authority exists for the driving of piles by the Morris Canal Company in the waters of the Bay below Bergen street.

The charter of the Jersey Associates, passed November 10th, 1804, vests in the Jersey Associates the whole of the land and premises described in the preamble to the act, which includes the location in which the piles referred to are being driven, and gives them the privilege of erecting or building any dock, wharves and piers opposite and adjoining the said premises in Hudson river, and the bays thereof.

By the second section of the act, they are invested with power among other things to order and regulate the building of all docks, piers and wharves, and all store houses and buildings thereon, and generally to make such by laws and regulations touching all and singular the said matters, not inconsistent with the constitution and laws of this State and of the United States as to them may appear proper and necessary, and to enforce the same by any penalty or penalties which they may prescribe or direct for any breach or offence against the same, etc. Provided that the powers granted by that section should cease, whenever the legislature shall deem it expedient to institute a more adequate and complete corporation for the purposes above expressed.

This was a most important provision. The Associates had the power to construct wharves, docks and piers, to order and regulate the building and construction of them, to cause prosecutions for penalties against all persons for any breach or offence against the same, and this inland, a part of which before that time belonged to the State, in fine they were created a corporation, not avowedly municipal in all its parts, but with quasi municipal powers, until the public, by increase of population, the growth of the locality over which they had jurisdiction, the constant march of internal improvement, required in the language of the act a more adequate and complete corporation for such purposes. Then these powers were to cease, and all the exercises of governmental function became invested as the theory of our constitution intended, in such corporation, and with such powers as the people of the vicinity chose to adopt after the consent of the Legislature had been obtained.

This time arrived, and the Legislature seeing the importance and appropriateness of the reservation contained in the 2d section of the charter of the associates, and knowing that the wants of the people required "a more adequate and complete corporation" for the government of this locality, then grown to be a thriving and improving city, and for the regulation of its municipal affairs, passed the act of January 23d, 1829,, entitled an act to incorporate the city of Jersey, whereby power was granted to the Board of Selectmen to pass and enforce by-laws and ordinances, among other things, relating to the public roads, streets and highways, the digging out, filling and regulating the same, and also relating to wharves and rates of wharfage.

It may be contested that this language does not sufficiently empower the municipal body to regulate wharves and piers, but I think it comprehensive enough to give to the selectmen *all powers* in relation thereto, which includes (if it includes anything—and the words are not meaningless) the power to regulate, to subject to rules and restrictions the erection or construction of such wharves.

But let us go one step further, and we find that by a subsequent act entitled an act to incorporate Jersey City, passed February, 22d. 1838, the power of regulating all wharves, docks and piers in and about said city, is in most express and emphatic language granted to the city authorities, thereby affirming, what to the minds of the technical might appear doubtful and inconclusive, and rendering positive by express enactment, what by any known construction of a statute, was implied by the former act.

There can be no misunderstanding or misconception of this language. It gives power to the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City—the then municipal corporation—not alone to regulate all docks, wharves and piers, but also *to order and regulate the building of the same.* Which is right, just and proper—one of the chief, the principal elements of a municipal corporation. Docks, wharves and piers are constructed for public purposes, essential to the good of the whole public, and I do not think can be appropriated for exclusive purposes of private emolument and use, though the Legislature should pretend to grant such a right. The site referred to is land covered by water in a navigable stream, an arm of the sea, one of the most public thoroughfares in the known world. It belongs—if any ownership can attach to such property—to the public, which means in its primary sense and in this connection to the State, of which Jersey City as incorporated forms a component part. The State grants this water land to a company, for what purpose can the grant be made, unless for purposes beneficial to the whole public, for streets, avenues lanes, docks, wharves, or such use as may come and it

elf to the requirements of the people at large. It seems to me that the State of New Jersey herself, with all her sovereign power, has not the constitution prerogative to take the property of the public and invest it in a private citizen or an incorporation other than a municipal corporation, unless the public are beneficially interested in the transfer.

Hence this provision in the charter of the associates by which it was intended to give to the legally constituted authorities of Jersey City—that might in the course of time exist—the exercise of the power which would reasonably appertain to it.

Acting upon this power given by express grant the Mayor and Common Council did pass an ordinance on the sixth day of April, 1849, entitled "A Law to regulate the building of wharves, docks and piers, and the erection of store houses and buildings thereon, and for other purposes." Whereby after reciting in a preamble to the law that they were empowered so to do by their charter, they ordained as follows: That it shall not be lawful for any personas or persons from and after the passage of this ordinance to build erect or construct any wharf, dock, pier or bulkhead in or upon any of the waters in and about Jersey City, within the chartered limmits thereof, without permission of the Mayor and Commen Council.

Sec. 2. That it shall not be lawful for any person or persons to drive any pile or piles, sink any crib or cribs, construct any dam or dams or dykes, or to place any obstruction of like character in or upon any of the waters or land under the waters in and about Jersey City, within the chartered limits thereof, without the permission of the Mayor and Common Council and under their direction.

The other sections of the ordinance contain restrictions to a similar effect, and impose penalties for the violation of the ordinance.

This was all done under and by virtue of the powers delegated to them by the sovereign power of the State.

The associates of the Jersey Company themselves acted under this law or one similar, when they, in connection with Mr. Cunard, asked the permission of the Common Council for similar privileges, thereby ratifying so far as they were able the legality and validity of the ordinance.

Can it be pretended that the grantees of the associates possess greater powers than the associates themselves?

The Morris Canal and Banking Company were incorporated on the 31st day of December, 1824, by which act it is prescribed in the twenty-seventh section that every part of the act shall be so construed as that the said corporation shall not be authorized to take or appropriate to the use of said canal, or under color or pretence that the same are necessary therefor any land, water, or streams of water, but such only as are actually necessary for the erection and use of said canal for the purpose of navigation only, and its neccssary towing paths and works, as specified in the 3d section, which includes as well locks, works, wharves, &c.

Now what rational construction can be placed upon this language without considering what the legislature had done, and also what she had reserved the right of doing before the act was passed.

In the first place the act did not give them the power to take her lands or the lands of her grantees, unless by her or their consent, which consent might be coerced from her grantees under certain circumstances. I suppose they claim by virtue of conveyances from the Associates, but the Associates could not cover more than they had, and then only held the lands under water subject to such regulations as might be made by any more adequate and complete corporation which might be instituted by the legislature. Hence the associates had not the power to convey the lands under water for any purpose freed or discharged from the restriction in the charter, and the Morris Canrl could take them alone subject to such reservation, and in the second place according to the views heretofore expressed, the legislature had not the power to grant or give away the property of the public, unless subject to municipal regulation or unless the public were beneficially interested in the transfer.

In other words that I may not be misunderstood, the Morris Canal accepted their charter with full knowledge of the former acts of the legislature and the reservations therein contained; and took the lands subordinate to such municipal regulations as the legislature might from time to time grant to the governmental corporation of Jersey City.

This constant clamor about rights vested in the corporation, public by name and by name only, private so far as its emoluments go, private in its interests and in all other respects; to obstruct navigation, to cripple commerce and to close the floodgates through which a principal element of the prosperity of a commercial city should pass, is to my mind preposterous and absurd. The legislature never said it—never intended it—and if they had, I would hold according to the reasoning of Sir Wm. Blackstone, in his commentaries, vol. 1st. page 91, that it was void in consequence of its *very* absurdity.

The present charter of Jersey City, clause 7 of sec. 42, reaffirms the act of 1838, comprehensively and conclusively.

It enacts in addition to the former act, that if more lands are filled in than are necessary for the use of a wharf, as a wharf or dock, that it shall be lawful for the Common Council to lay out proper streets upon the same, and that the residue if any, may be appropriated to the owners own use.

And again the Morris Canal and Banking Company are now driving piles in the North River, a navigable stream without any official knowledge of the Common Council, as to what uses they intend to make of the same.

The Charter of Jersey City, clause 8, of sec. 42, gives power to the Common Council to declare by general law, what shall be considered nuisances in lots, streets, docks, wharves and piers, and to direct provide and enforce their removal.

Pile driven in a navigable stream is a nuisance, and may not the common council be subjected to prosecution, should an accident happen to person or property by reason of the existence of such a nuisance. Assuredly I think so, and so knew the legislature, and therefore wisely placed the regulation of such matters within their control and subject to their jurisdiction

These being my views, the Morris Canal and Banking Company have no right to drive piles in the North River or the bays thereof; build wharves, docks and piers thereon without first presenting a profile or map of improvement sought to be made to the Common Council, and receiving their assent, and then alone subject to such regulations concerning the building of the same as the common council may see fit to impose according to law.

All which is respectfully submitted by your obedient servant. RICH'D D. McCLELLAND.
City Attorney.

On motion of Alderman Clarke, the Board then adjourned. GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, July 19, 1859, at 7½ o'clock p. m.

In the absence of the city clerk, Ald. Tilden was appointed city clerk pro-tempore.

Present—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Christie, Clarke, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Ald. Brown, Decker McLaughlin and Ogden were absent at the calling of the roll, but subsequently appeared and took their seats.

The minutes of the regular meeting of July 5th, 1859, and of the special meeting of July 12th, 1859, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, &c., were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Petition of Thomas Neville to be appointed an auctioneer. Referred to committee on licenses.

Petition of John Kiernan, setting forth that his lot B in block A, was sold to city treasurer for taxes of 1853, asking that he may present his proofs of the payment of said taxes, &c. Referred to committee on Finance.

Petition of George S. Gardner, setting forth that he holds an assignment of the claim of Terrence Beirne against the city for $567, and asking that said claim be referred to a committee of the present Board, &c.

Ald. Hardenbergh moved that the petition, with the claim of Terrence Beirne, be referred to a a special committee of three.

The motion was adopted, and Aldermen Hardenbergh, Thurston and Clarke were appointed the committee.

Petition of William Hacket to be appointed a policeman. Referred to committee on police.

Petition of D. H. Riddle and others, remonstrating against the running of coaches and omnibuses from the city of Newark to the Jersey City Ferry, &c.

Ald. Brown moved that the communication be laid upon the table.

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hankins, Brown and Earle:

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Hoffman, McBride and McLaughlin.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Alderman Earle moved,

That the petition be referred to the committee on streets, and that said committee be directed to appoint a time and place for a hearing of parties interested in the matter. The motion was rejected.

On motion of Alderman Thurston, the petition was referred to the committee on laws and ordinances.

Petition of John Corrigan, and others, to have established the street grade or curb on Newark avenue, to be ten feet two inches at the northeast and southeast corners of Grove street, and thence easterly, descending about 3½ inches per 100 feet, to three feet ten inches at a point distant 302 feet easterly from Prospect street, and to three feet two inches at a point distant 333 feet easterly from Henderson street, conformably to profile map accompanying the application. Referred to committee on streets.

Petition of George McLaughlin, to have established the street grade or curb on the southwest and northwest corners of Mercer and Henderson streets, to be four feet four inches, and at the four corners of Wayne and Henderson streets to be five feet, thence descending to four feet, on Gregory street, at a point distant 171 feet easterly from Henderson street, conformably to profile map accompanying the application. Referred to committee on streets.

Petition of George McLaughlin, to have the sidewalks on both sides of Gregory street, from Warren street to Henderson street, and in Wayne street, from Henderson to Grove street, filled in to the established grade, and flagged not less than six feet in width. Referred to committee on streets.

Petition of Frank J. Quinn, for a license to peddle fish, fruit and vegetables. Referred to committee on licenses.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Of Stephen Quaife, $60; Theodore A. Tupper, $28; Hoyt and Coykendall, $22 40; Samuel Hetherington, $16; Wm. B. Dunning, $18, and H. McComb, $12. Referred to committee on public grounds and buildings.

Of A. B. Reynolds, $62; Henry A. Miller, $17 88; Samuel Hetherington, $8 70; and John Morris $5 36. Referred to committee on Fire and Water.

Of Ward & McGowan, $54 36, and $39 03, and John Marey, $4. Referred to committee on alms.

Of Adrian B. Reynolds, $4,196 56, and Jones & Terhune $3 44. Referred to committee on streets.

Of Peter Waggoner, $123 and $89. Referred to committee on public health.

Of Wm. B. Dunning, $26 10; and Stephen Quaife, $9. Referred to committee on finance.

Of Henry A. Miller, $58 90. Referred to committee on lamps.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct, and ordered paid, viz.:

Of Police Department, $1,293 24; J. V. Hardenbergh, $300; David Bedford, $200; R. D. McClelland, $150; William Whitley, $150; Nathaniel Ellis, $125; S. A. French, $100; P. D. Vroom, $125; George W. Cassedy, $500; P. M. Senderling, M. D., $50; F. P. Budden, $25; Henry A. Greene, $13 55 and $8; Ward and McGown, $4 62, and Drayton and Durant, $2 25.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board, were reported correct and ordered paid, viz.:

Of J. F. Richardson, $38; Robert B. Kashow, $37 50; Nathaniel Ellis, $27 28; Hugh Billingsley, $8; Theodore A. Tupper, $17 50; J. F. Richardson, $12; Wm. B. Dunning, $9; A. P. Rikeman, $7 50; Hugh Billingsley, $4, and Isaac Wakefield, $2 50.

A claim of Robert B. Kashow, amounting to $53 01 referred to the committee on police, June 21st, 1859 was reported correct by said committee for $49 83, and that amount ordered paid.

The city clerk laid before the Board the following communication from his Honor the Mayor, filed in the city clerk's office on the 6th July instant, and the same was read, received, ordered to be entered at large on the journal of proceedings of the Common Council, and was laid upon the table.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, Jersey City, July 6, 1859.

To The Hon. the Common Council of Jersey City:

Gentlemen: Believing that you have in section 8 of "A further supplement to an act to authorize the construction of works for the supplying of Jersey City and places adjacent with pure and wholesome water," which supplement was passed March, 16th, 1854, and in section 4 of a further supplement to the same act, which supplement was passed March 29th, 1845, all needful authority to prosecute any person or persons for obstructing any common sewer or any sewer built by the city, I cannot see the necessity of the passage of "an ordinance supplementary to an ordinance, passed June 17th, 1853, in relation to the construction of sewers in Jersey City," passed by you, June 28th, 1859. I have, therefore, not signed it.

Respectfully submitted,

D. S. GREGORY, Mayor.

The city clerk laid before the Board the following communication from his Honor the Mayor, filed in the city clerk's office on the 6th July instant, and the same was read, received, ordered to be entered at large on the journal of proceedings of the Common Council, and was laid upon the table.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, JERSEY CITY, July 8 h. 1859.

To the Hon. the Common Council of Jersey City:

GENTLEMEN—I have frequently to hesitate in signing warrants on the Treasurer for small amounts, under a distrust of the correctness of the proceedings, or the want of authority to pay the sum demanded. One of these is before me in a certified bill by a majority of the committee on salaries, officers, and elections, dated June 14th, 1859, in favor of Robert Griglietti, Clerk of the 4th ward, for reporting to the Secretary of State 308 names at 10 cents $30 80, of births, marriages and deaths, for the year ending 31st May, 1859. This duty is prescribed in the act relating to registry and returns of births, marriages and deaths in the State of New Jersey, passed 3d March, 1848, and amended in 1851 (Nixon's Digest of Laws, pages 66 and 67), and if faithfully performed in all the cities and townships in this State, would be of much use to the community and the public generally; but it is not, and yet there is no good reason why those township clerks who do perform this duty should not be paid for it. But the difficulty I encounter in the matter is, in the provision of the 8th Sec. of the law of 1848, a copy of which is annexed. An act relating the registry and returns of births, marriages and deaths, in the State of New Jersey.

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16 Sec. 8.—The Clerk of the Common Council or Board of Aldermen of any incorporated city or borough in this State, when such city or borough shall extend to and include the limits of an entire township, shall perform the same duties, receive the same compensation, and be liable to the same penalties, as are by this act provided in respect to the clerks of the several townships in this State; and that in construing this act, the word "clerk," meaning thereby the Town Clerk of any township in this State, shall be deemed and taken to include and mean the Clerk of the Common Council or Board of Aldermen of any incorporated city or borough as aforesaid, and the word "township" shall be deemed and taken to include and mean any incorporated city or borough as aforesaid.

From this you will notice, that the law presumes that every city is one ward, and that this duty devolves upon the City Clerk. The limits of Jersey City, covering four w rds, and it is declared in the chapter that each ward for general purposes, not provided for by this act, shall be considered a township. (See title 2, sec 4) The question then arises, is the law to be expressive of a general term, and to embrace all the city limits notwithstanding? If this be the true construction, then no one doubts that the duty should be performed by the city instead of the ward clerks, as the true meaning of the law, and the Clerk's office the only place of record for this important service. In the opinion of some persons the date of the act requiring this service and the date of the charter conflict, as if the charter was amendatory of the general law on the subject, by declaring the city to cover four townships instead of one. I do not coincide in this view, and until I am more clearly advised as to this bill now under consideration as being a legitimate charge on the City Treasury, I withhold my signature for its payment

To remove any doubt as to the intention of the law of 1848, and to provide a suitable system and a proper place where the record may be permanently kept, for these important objects, it appears to me to be within your province to pass an ordinance, under the general powers contained in the 13th division of the 42d sec. of Art. IV of the charter, which will harmonize this duty with the State law as I construe it, and thereby prepare a plan to provide a permanent registry of all births, marriages and deaths occurring in the city. I hope this subject will be referred to the committee on laws, with instructions to report an ordinance. All which is respectfully submitted.

D. S. GREGORY, Mayor.

The city clerk laid before the Board the following communication from his Honor the Mayor, filed in the clerk's office on the 12th July instant, and the same was read, received, and ordered to be entered at large on the journal of proceedings of the Common Council, and was laid upon the table.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, Jersey City, July 11, 1859.

To the Honorable the Common Council of Jersey City :

Gentlemen. The "Sons of Temperance," whose tenants you are in the Lyceum building, having made an agreement with you to endure until the 1st of May next for the receipt of rent therefor to that period, in which they have predicated their obligations in acts of charity and otherwise, in the due receipt thereof, have notified me that they shall hold the city treasury liable therefor.

You having purchased property on which to erect a Hall for your own accommodation, and the city officers, with the understanding that the erection of the building therefor should be made without delay, I cannot concur with you in the prudence or economy of your hiring and fitting up another Hall at an increased rent, for the period intermediate of your present obligations. I therefore return you the resolution for renting Metropolitan Hall, without my signature of concurrence.

Respectfully, yours,

D. S. GREGORY, Mayor.

A communication from his Honor the Mayor enclosing notice of the suspension of Wm. Strong, policeman, from duty, &c., was presented, received, and referred to the committee on police.

A communication from his Honor the Mayor enclosing copy of a notice served upon him of application for a mandamus to show cause why the petition of Charles F. Durant and others for the building of a sewer in Newark avenue has not been granted, was presented, received, and referred to the corporation attorney.

The following communication, from the Board of Education, was presented, received, and referred to committee on schools :

To the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City :

At a meeting of the Board of Education, held at the city clerk's office, on Monday evening, July 11th, 1859, it was resolved by the votes of all the members present, the yeas and nays being taken, that requisition be made upon the Common Council for the payment of the following claims. To

Vanderbeck & Morrell,		$1 50
David Easton, repairs to No. 1,	$16 55	
do do No. 2,	30 80	37 45
John Pringle, plumbing,		28 65
Board of Education, for salary of teachers for quarter ending 31st inst.,	$2,447 93	
Warrant ordered for the same at previous meeting of the Common Council,	$2,475	
Balance at credit of Board of Education toward payment of salaries, the ensuing quarter,	$27 07	

P. D. VROOM, Clerk.

Communications were presented and received from the Chief-Engineer of the Fire Deparment, enclosing returns of the following elections, resignations and expulsion in said department, confirmed by the Fire Commissioners.

Election of Thomas C. Mandeville, and David Kemp, by Engine Co. No. 3.

Resignations of John B. Drayton from Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1, George Duncan, from Engine Co. No. 3. Patrick Macdonald, Henry T. Lee and Michael Simmons, from Engine Co. No. 4.

Expulsion of Christopher Arabeiter, from Hose Co. No. 4.

Alderman Earle, from the committee on assessments presented the report, map and schedule of the Board of Commissioners for Assessments of the improvement by flagging of Warren street sidewalk, between Morris and Essex streets, and in Essex street, between Morris and Van Vorst streets, and the same were received, and ordered to be filed in the City Clerk's office.

The committee on assessments presented a report recommending the adoption of the following resolueion respecting the Board of Commissioners' report, map, and schedule relative to the flagging of Warren street sidewalk, &c., presented this evening, and ordered to be filed in th City Clerk's office.

Resolved, That the c ty clerk is hereby directed to give notice through the Jersey City papers that the Board of Commissioners for Assessments' report, map and schedule of the improvement by flagging of the sidewalk on the west side of Warren street, between Morris and Essex streets, and north side of Essex street to fifty feet from Warren street, is on file in the city clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street, and that the common council will meet at the common council chamber on the first Tuesday in August next, at half past 7 o'clock, p.m. and to receive and consider all objections to such assessment which may be presented in writing.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on streets, to whom was referred July 5th, 1859, the petition of Andrew Clerk and others, to have South 3d street, between the centre of Prospect street and the westerly side of Provost street, filled to the established grade, paved, curbed, guttered, etc., presented a report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution, appointing a time and place for a hearing

Resolved, That Friday, August 12th, 1859, at 3 o'clock, p. m., at the city clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery Street, is hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the committee on streets of this Common Council will meet for the purpose of hearing on its merits all parties interested in the application presented to the Common Council, July 5, 1859, of Andrew Clerk and others, to have South 3d street filled in to the established grade, paved, curbed and guttered, and both sidewalks flagged four feet, where the same has not already been done, and where curbing, guttering and flagging may require to raise the same to grade, between the centre of Prospect street and the westerly side of Provost street, and that the city clerk is hereby directed to publish in the corporation paper for the length of time required by the city charter notice of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on streets, to whom was referred July 5th, 1859, the petition of C. F. Durant, to have established the street grade or curb on York, Montgomery and Gregory streets conformable to profile map accompanying the application and to correspond with present actual regulation of Henderson street and the south side of York street, presented a report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution, appointing a time and place for a hearing :

Resolved, That Friday, August 12th, 1859, at 3 o'clock p.m., at the city clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery St., is hereby appointed as the time and place, when and where the committee on streets of this Common Council will meet for the purpose of hearing on its merits all parties interested in the applications presented to the Common Council, July 5, 1859, of C. F. Durant to have established the street grade or curb on York, Montgomery and Gregory streets, between Warren and Henderson streets, conformably to profile map accompanying the application, and to correspond with the present actual regulation of Henderson street and the south side of York street, and that the city clerk is hereby directed to publish in the corporation paper for the length of time required by the city charter notice of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing. The report was received and the resolution adopted

The committee on streets, to whom was referred July 5, 1859, the petition of Jacob Erwin and others, to have established the boundary line of Newark avenue, and remove all encroachments now on Newark avenue, from Warren street to the western boundary of Jersey City, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution, appointing a time and place for a hearing.

Resolved—That Friday August 12th, 1859, at 3 o'clock P.M., at the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery st, is hereby appointed as the time and place, when and where the committee on streets of this common council will meet, for the purpose of hearing on its merits all parties interested in the application presented to the common council, July 5th, 1859, of Jacob Erwin and others, to have established the boundary line of Newark ave., from Warren street to the western boundary of Jersey City, and that the city clerk is hereby directed to publish in the Corporation paper, for the length of time required by the city charter, notice of the appointment of the above-named time and place for a hearing.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred June 27, 1859, the petition of Michael Corrigan for a license to keep an inn and tavern, at the corner of Jersey and Newark avenues, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved—That a license be granted to Michael Corrigan to keep an inn and tavern, at corner Jersey st. and Newark avenue, in the third ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Hankins, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred June 30, 1859, the petition of William Green for a license to keep an inn and tavern at the north east corner of Warren and Bergen streets presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Wm. Green to keep an inn and tavern at north east corner of Warren and Bergen streets in the 1st ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Hankins, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred June 28, 1859, the petition of Robert J Dalton, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 12 Sussex street presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Robert J. Dalton to keep an inn and tavern at No. 12 Sussex st. in the 1st ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Hankins, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred June 23, 1859, the petition of John J Wanner for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No 20 Grand street, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to John J. Wanner to keep an inn and tavern at No 20 Hudson street in the 1st ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride and Tilden.

Nays—Aldermen Edge, Hankins, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred June 29, 1859, the petition of George Miller, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 117 Hudson street, presented a favorable report accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to George Miller, to keep an inn and tavern at No. 117 Hudson street in 1st ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Earle, Hankins, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred July 1st, 1859, the petition of Henrich Adeling, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 66 Warren street, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Henrich Adeling, to keep an inn and tavern at No. 66 Warren street in the first ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Decker Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred July 1st, 1859, the petition of William Schumann for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 66 Essex street, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Wm. Schumann to keep an inn and tavern at No. 66 Essex street, in the 1st ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred June 25, 1859 the petition of James Smith, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 28 Newark avenue, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to James Smith, to keep an inn and tavern at No. 28 Newark avenue in the 2d Ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred June 30, 1859, the petition of John D. Nolan, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 9 Montgomery street presented a favorable report accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to John D. Nolan, to keep an inn and tavern at No. 9 Montgomery street, in the 2d ward of Jersey City. The report was received.

The resolution was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Earle, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Alderman Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred June 21, 1859, the petition of Thomas Gilroy for a license to keep a junk shop at No. 246 Railroad ave., presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license to keep a junk shop at No. 246 Railroad avenue in the 3d ward of Jersey City be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk under the corporate seal of the city to Thomas Gilroy, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Hardenbergh and Thurston.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred June 28, 1859, the petition of Hugh Gartland for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No 34 Wayne street presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Hugh Gartland to keep an inn and tavern at No. 34 Wayne street in the 2d ward in Jersey City.

The report was received and the resolution laid upon the table.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred, June 27th, 1859, the petition of Hugh Reily for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 342 South 7th street, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Hugh Reily to keep an inn and tavern at No. 342 South 7th street, in the 3d ward of Jersey City. The report was received and the resolution laid upon the table.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred, June 28th, 1859, the petition of Jacob Dellfus, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 233 Grand St, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Jacob Dellfus

to keep an inn and tavern at No. 233 Grand street, in the third ward of Jersey City. The report was received and the resolution laid upon the table.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred, July 1st, 1859, the petition of Otto Meyer for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 202 Grand street, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license be granted to Otto Meyer to keep an inn and tavern at No. 202 Grand street, junction of Bright, in the 3d ward of Jersey City. The report was received and the resolution laid upon the table.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred, June 27th, 1859, the petition of Frederick Hautsch for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 179 Newark avenue, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license be granted to Frederick Hautsch to keep an inn and tavern at Weavers' Arms Hotel, 117 Newark avenue, in the 3d ward of Jersey City. The report was received and the resolution laid upon the table.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred, June 28, 1859, the petition of Francis Pool for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 218 Grand street, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved—That a license be granted to Francis Pool, to keep an inn and tavern at No. 218 Grand street, in the 3d ward of Jersey City. The report was received and the resolution laid upon the table.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred June 28, 1859, the petition of John Hunter for a license to keep an inn and tavern at 177 Railroad avenue, presented a favorable report accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license be granted to John Hunter to keep an inn and tavern at No. 177 Railroad avenue, corner of Warren street, in the 2d ward of Jersey City. The report was received and the resolution laid upon the table.

The committee on licences, to whom was referred, June 28, 1859, the petition of W. and C. B. Jaquins for a license to keep an inn and tavern at Nos. 23 and 25 Montgomery street, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license be granted to Wm. and C. B. Jaquins to keep an inn and tavern at Nos. 23 and 25 Montgomery street, in the 2d ward of Jersey City. The report was received and the resolution laid upon the table.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred June 25, 1859, the petition of Taylor & Sylvester, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at the corner of Montgomery and Hudson streets, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved—That a license be granted to Taylor and Sylvester to keep an inn and tavern at the "Darcy House," corner Hudson and Montgomery streets, in the 2d ward of Jersey City.

The report was received, and the resolution laid upon the table.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred June 28, 1859, the petition of Richard Taylor, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at the corner of Greene and Montgomery streets, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, that a license be granted to Richard Taylor, to keep an inn and tavern at corner Greene and Montgomery streets, in the 2d ward of Jersey city.

The report was received, and the resolution laid upon the table.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred June 30, 1858, the petition of Ferdinand Wirtz, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 90 Montgomery street, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved—That a license be granted to Ferdinand Wirtz, to keep an inn and tavern at No. 90 Montgomery street, in the 2d ward of Jersey city.

The report was received, and the resolution laid upon the table.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred June 27, 1859, the petition of Thomas Dwyer, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 32 Prospect st., presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved—That a license be granted to Thos. Dwyer, to keep an inn and tavern at No. 32 Prospect street, in the 2d ward of Jersey city.

The report was received, and the resolution laid upon the table.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred June 27, 1859, the petition of Denis McCarty, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 209 Greene st., presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved—That a license be granted to Denis McCarty, to keep an inn and tavern at 209 Greene street, in the 2d ward of Jersey city.

The report was received, and the resolution laid upon the table.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred June 28, 1859, the petition of Daniel Skally, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 105 Steuben street, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved—That a license be granted to Daniel Skally, to keep an inn and tavern at No. 105 Steuben street, in the 2d ward of Jersey City.

The report was received, and the resolution laid upon the table.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred June 28, 1859, the petition of Michael Dolan, for a license to keep an inn and tavern, at No. 183 Greene st., presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved—That a license be granted to Michael Dolan, to keep an inn and tavern at No. 183 Greene, corner of Wayne street, in the 2d ward of Jersey City.

The report was received, and the resolution laid upon the table.

The committee on licences, to whom was referred June 28, 1859, the petition of George H. Dietz, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 17 Newark avenue, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license be granted to George M. Dietz to keep an inn and tavern at No. 17 Newark ave., in the 2d ward of Jersey city. The report was received and the resolution laid upon the table.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred, June 28, 1859, the petition of Patrick Toner for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 4 Prospect street, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license be granted to Patrick Toner to keep an inn and tavern at No. 4 Prospect street, in the 2d ward of Jersey City. The report was received and the resolution laid upon the table.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred, June 28th, 1859, the petition of William Lyons for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 11 Newark ave., presented a favorable report theron accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license be granted to Wm. Lyons to keep an inn and tavern at No. 11 Newark avenue, in the 2nd ward of Jersey City. The report was received and the resolution laid upon the table.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred, June 25, 1859, the petition of Henry Miller, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at 135 and 137 Hudson St., presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license be granted to Henry Miller to keep an inn and tavern at Nos. 135 and 137 Hudson street, in the 2d ward of Jersey City. The report was received and the resolution laid upon the table.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred, June 28th, 1859, the petition of John G. Berrian for a license to keep an inn and tavern at the north-east cor. of York and Greene streets, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license be granted to John G. Berrian to keep an inn and tavern at the northeast corner of Greene and York streets, known as the Empire Billiard Saloon, in the 2d ward of Jersey City. The report was received and the resolution laid upon the table.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred, June 23d, 1859, the petition of Samuel Hamilton for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 22 York street, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Samuel Hamilton to keep an inn and tavern at No. 22 York street, in the 2nd ward of Jersey City. The report was received and the resolution laid upon the table.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred, June 23d, 1859, the petition of Robert Gamble for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 141 York street, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license be granted to Robert Gamble to keep an inn and tavern at No. 141 York street, in the 2d ward of Jersey City. The report was received and the resolution laid upon the table.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred June 29, 1859, the petition of Patrick Meehan, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at the corner of north Third and Erie streets, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved—That a license be granted to Patrick Meehan to keep an inn and tavern at the corner of north Third and Erie street, in the 4th ward of Jersey City.

The report was received, and the resolution laid upon the table.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred June 25, 1859, the petition of Wm. Armstrong for a license to keep an inn and tavern at northwest corner of Grove street and Newark avanue, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved—That a license be granted to Wm. Armstrong, to keep an inn and tavern at northwest corner Newark avenue and Grove street, in the fourth ward of Jersey City.

The report was received, and the resolution laid upon the table.

The Committee on licenses to whom was referred June 29, 1859, the petition of James McCurrin for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 334 Grove street presented a favorable report thereon, acco apanied by the following resolution:

Resolved—That a license be granted to James McCurrin to keep an inn and tavern at No. 334 Grove street, in the fourth ward of Jersey City.

The report was received, and the resolution laid upon the table.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred June 28, 1859, the petition of Charles Henkel for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 144 Newark Avenue, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved—That a license be granted to Charles Henkel, to keep an inn and tavern at No. 144 Newark ave., in the fourth ward of Jersey City.

The report was received, and the resolution laid upon the table.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred June 27, 1859, the petition of Joseph Smith, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 138 Newark avenue, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved that a license be granted to Joseph Smith, to keep an inn and tavern at No. 138 Newark avenue, "Bee Hive," in the fourth ward of Jersey City.

The report was received, and the resolution laid upon the table.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred June 28, 1859, the petition of Patrick Martin, for a license inn and tavern at No. 181 Newark avenue, to keep an presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved—That a license be granted to Patrick Martin, to keep an inn and tavern at No. 181 Newark ave., known as the Fourth Ward Hotel, in the fourth ward of Jersey City.

The report was received, and the resolution laid upon the table.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred June 29, 1859, the petition of Thomas Kelly, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 345 south Fifth street, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved—That a license be granted to Thomas Kelly, to keep an inn and tavern at No. 345 south Fifth street, in the 4th ward of Jersey City.

The report was received, and the resolution laid upon the table.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred June 29, 1859, the petition of Francis Boyle, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 317 Grove street, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved—That a license be granted to Francis Boyle, to keep an inn and tavern at No. 317 Grove street, in the 4th ward of Jersey City.

The report was received, and the resolution laid upon the table.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred, June 28, 1859, the petition of Lewis Gingenbach for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 98 and 100 Newark avenue, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Lewis Gingenbach to keep an inn and tavern at Nos. 98 and 100 Newark avenue, in the 4th ward of Jersey City. The report was received and the resolution laid upon the table.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred, June 28th, 1859, the petition of Michael McKane for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 146 South 3d street, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Michael McKone to keep an inn and tavern at No. 146 South 3d st. in the 4th ward of Jersey City. The report was received and the resolution laid upon the table.

The committee on public grounds and buildings returned the petition referred to them, June 7th, 1859, of Geo. H. Farrier and others, members of Hose Co. No. 3, asking that the roof of their house may be raised 9 feet instead of 3 feet, &c

The petition was referred to the committee on fire and water.

The committee on public grounds and buildings presented plans and specifications of a public school house in the 3d ward, and nine sealed proposals received by said committee in answer to their advertisement for the contract to build said school house. The proposals were opened, read, and found to be from William Coleman, Edmond Isbills, John J. Hill, William H. Bumstead, William Powell, Keeney & Halliday, David Easton, James McLaughlin and Edmond Isbills, and the following resolution was reported by said committee.

Resolved, That the plans and specifications for a public school house in the 3d ward, which have been submitted at this meeting of the Common Council by the committee on public grounds and buildings, be approved and filed in the city clerk's office, and that the action of said committee in advertising for proposals for the contract to build said house, in accordance with the said plans and specifications, be confirmed, and that the proposals received by the said committee and presented to the Common Council at this meeting, be referred to the committee on public grounds and buildings, with authority to enter into a contract with the lowest bidder, provided the said committee deem it to the interests of the city to make such contract, and that contracts be prepared by the corporation attorney and be executed, on the part of the city, by his Honor the Mayor and by the city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, on the requisition of said committee on public grounds and buildings, after said contracts and a bond for their fulfilment shall first have been executed by the party or parties to whom such contract may be awarded.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

On motion of Ald. Hardenbergh, it was

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns it will adjourn to meet at this Common Council chamber, on Tuesday, the 26th instant, at 7½ o'clock, p.m.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Tildon:

Resolved—That the committee on Public Grounds and Buildings be, and they are hereby instructed to raise the roof and repair the house occupied by Americus Hook and Ladder Company, at an expense not to exceed five hundred dollars.

Alderman Hardenbergh moved—That the resolution be laid on the table until after the passage of the Tax Ordinance. The motion was rejected.

Alderman Thurston moved—That the resolution be referred to the committee on Fire and Water, to report back to the Board the condition of said Hook & Ladder house.

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken o the call of Aldermen Thurston, Hardenbergh, and Hankins.

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Ald. Clarke Decker. Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McLaughlin and Thurston.

Nays—Ald. Brown, Christie, Earle, Hoffman, McBride Ogden, Tilden and Warner.

On a second motion of Alderman Hardenbergh to lay the resolution on the table, the motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald. Hardenbergh, Thurston and Hoffman.

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hardenbergh, McLaughlin and Thurston.

Nays—Ald. Brown, Christie, Hankins, Hoffman, McBride, Ogden, Tilden and Warner.

Alderman Thurston moved that the resolution be referred to a special committee of three. The motion was rejected.

Alderman Tilden moved that the resolution be amended by striking out the words "Committee on Public grounds and Buildings," and inserting in their place "Committee on Fire and Water. The motion was adopted.

Alderman McLaughlin moved that the resolution be further amended by inserting after the word "repair" the words "if necessary." The motion was adopted.

The resolution as amended was then adopted and as passed is as follows:

Resolved, That the Committee on Fire and Water be, and they are hereby instructed to raise the roof and repair if necessary the house occupied by Americus Hook and Ladder Company at an expense not to exceed five hundred dollars.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hankins and adopted:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of H. McComb for two hundred dollars, on account of contract for repairing Truck House corner of Van Vorst and Grand street.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hankins, and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings report back the old plans, with all the necessary alterations for building a City Hall on the property owned by the City, corner of Newark avenue and Washington Alley.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Thurston and adopted:

Resolved, That Friday, August 12, 1859, at 3 o'clock p.m., at the City Clerk's Office, the committee on streets will meet to hear all parties interested in the application of George McLaughlin, to grade established at the corner of Mercer and Henderson streets.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Thurston and adopted:

Resolved, That Friday, August 12, 2859, at 3 o'clock p.m., at the City Clerk's Office, the committee on streets will meet to hear all parties interested in the application of John Corrigan and others to establish grade at the corner of Grove street and Newark avenue.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted:

Resolved, That the City Clerk be requested to make a certified copy of the official bond of James B. Dunn, as Constable for the year 1856, for Thomas Wellwood.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Tilden and adopted:

Resolved, That the assessment committee in connection with His Honor the Mayor be, and are hereby authorized to advertise for proposals to furnish this city with a correct and reliable assessment map, and also to determine and locate the position of all monuments necessary to fix the actual lines of all streets and avenues.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Tilden and adopted:

Resolved, That Tuesday, 20th day of August, 1859, at half past seven o'clock p.m., at the City Clerk's Office, 23 Montgomery street be appointed as the time and place when and where parties interested in the application of G. McLaughlin and others, to have a sewer constructed on Newark avenue between Warren and Henderson streets, will have a hearing before the Committee on sewers on the merits of the said application, and that the City Clerk is hereby instructed to publish in the corporation paper, notice of the appointment of the time and place for such hearing.

Afterwards on motion of Alderman Thurston the vote was reconsidered by which the above resolution was adopted, and on motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the resolution was amended by striking out the date "20th day of August" as the time of hearing and inserting the the date "Wednesday, 10th day of August" as time of hearing, and as amended was adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted:

Resolved, That a warrant for thirty-two and 80-100 dollars, with interest thereon, at the rate of seven per cent. per annum be drawn by the city clerk in favor of Benjamin O. Edge, being the amount of purchase money paid by him into the city treasury for the purchase of lots part 14 and 15 York street block 60 Clerk & Bacot's map, assessed to Thomas Keacock and sold May 23, 1857, for unpaid taxes of 1856, to said Benjamin O. Edge for $32 81-100.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Thurston and adopted:

Resolved, That the street com. be instructed to have the pump removed at the corner of 6th and Coles streets and have the well flagged over.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted:

Whereas, James Harrison paid to the collector of taxes, for 1856, his taxes upon a piece of property represented upon the bill presented to him as lot 72 Newark avenue block 46 amounting to $21 80;

And whereas said property as above described and as in the tax bill herewith annexed was paid in error said property not being owned by him.

And whereas lot 81 Montgomery street block 61 assessed to James Harrison for $19 04, belongs to the above mentioned James Harrison.

And whereas lot 81 Montgomery street block 61 assessed to James Harrison for $19 04 was sold for nonpayment of taxes of 1856, to Benjamin O. Edge the same being the property of James Harrison and upon which he supposed he was paying his tax.

Therefore be it resolved that lot 81 Montgomery street block 61 assessed to James Harrison for $19 04 and sold to Benjamin O. Edge, March 23, 1857, for taxes of 1856, be cancelled of record, and that the city clerk be instructed to draw a warrant upon the city treasurer in favor of James Harrison, for $2 76 being the difference between $21 80 the amount paid by said Harrison $19 06, being the amount of tax upon his property:

Resolved, That the City Clerk be, and is hereby directed to advertise lot 72 Newark avenue block 46 assessed to James Harrison for taxes of 1856, $21 80

The following resolutions were offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn in favor of Benjamin O. Edge, for the sum of twenty 67-100 dollars with interest thereon at the rate of seven per cent per annum from the date of sale, being the amount of purchase money paid into the city treasury for the purchase of lot 81 Montgomery street block 61 assessed to James Harrison sold March 23, 1857, for taxes of 1856.

Resolved, That the City Clerk be, and is hereby directed to deliver to the said Benjamin O. Edge, a warrant for the amount above mentioned upon his delivering to the city clerk the declaration of sale issued to him under the corporate seal of the city for the above mentioned property.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the vote was reconsidered by which at last meeting the tax ordinance was rejected, and on his motion the ordinance was laid upon the table.

The following entitled ordinances were presented by Ald. Thurston and laid upon the table.

"An ordinance to establish the street grade for curb on a part of Newark avenue.

"An ordinance to establish the street grade or curb on the north side of Montgomery street between Washington and Warren streets, and on the east side of Warren street between Mercer and Montgomery streets."

"An ordinance to open Newark avenue otherwise called the Turnpike Road, and to establish the boundaries of Newark avenue between Warren street and the western boundary of Jersey City.

On motion of Ald Clarke the Board then adjourned

THOS. E. TILDEN, City Clerk, pro tempore.

Adjourned regular meeting at the Common Council chamber, Tuesday, July 26th, 1859, at 7½ o'clock p.m.

Present—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Christie, Clarke, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Ald. Brown, Decker and McLaughlin were absent at the calling of the roll but subsequently appeared and took their seats.

Petitions were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Petition of Henry A. Booraem, setting forth that March 23d, 1857, he became the purchaser of lot 5 in block H for taxes of 1856, and asking that the purchase money paid by him be refunded, the said property being incorrectly described in the advertisement of sale.

Referred to committee on finance.

Petition of Henry D. Holt and others, remonstrating against the running of stages to and from Jersey City Ferry on the Sabbath, &c. Referred to committee on laws and ordinances.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Of Richard Bly, $49 87; Martin Bly, $35; John Murphy, $28 50; Patrick Geary, $20 25, Lawrence Owens, $11 25; John McCarty, $8, and Philo Show, $1 25.

Referred to committee on streets.

Of Anness and Stephenson, $16 05, and Frederick Porrett, $15. Referred to committee on alms,

Of C. E. Masten, $300. Referred to committee on public grounds and buildings.

Of Morris Canal and Banking company $50. Referred to committee on sewers.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct, and ordered paid, viz.:

Of Philo Snow, $150; Matthew Erwin, $85 58; A. B. Reynolds, $45 92; William Whitley, $30 53, and Chas. N. Betts, $6 51.

The following claims and accounts, presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board, were reported correct and ordered paid, viz.:

Of A. B. Reynolds, $62 50; Stephen Quaife, $66; H. A. Miller, $58 90; Ward and McGown, $54 36 and $39 03; T. A. Tupper, $28 00; Hoyt and Coykendall, $22 40; H. A. Miller, $17 88; Samuel Hetherington $16; Wm. B. Dunning, $13; H. McComb, $12; Samuel Hetherington, $8 70, and John Massy, $4.

A communication from his Honor the Mayor, enclosing charges against policeman Thomas Fallon by the Chief of Police was presented, received, and referred to the committee on police.

The committee on schools, to whom was referred at last meeting the requisition of the Board of Education for payment of sundry claims, reported the following resolution in relation thereto.

Resolved—That the city clerk be instructed to draw warrants in accordance with the requisition of the Board of Education as follows:

Vanderbeek & Morrell	$1 50
David Easton	6 65
Do. do.	30 80
John Pringle	28 65

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on laws and ordinances, to whom was referred July 19, 1859, the petition of D. H. Riddle and others, remonstrating against the running of coaches and omnibusses from Newark to Jersey City ferry, presented a report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved—That the chief of police do hereby instruct the men of his department to report all violations of article 19 of the ordinance relating to omnibus and stage drivers, approved Feb. 13, 1852, and that he report the same to the corporation attorney, who is hereby instructed to prosecute the same. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald. Decker, Hardenbergh, and Earle:

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Nays—Ald. Brown, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

The committee on alms presented a report, submitting three sealed proposals received by them in answer to their advertisement for proposals for the contracts to furnish a supply of meat and bread for the Alms House for one year, and the following resolution:

Resolved—That the three sealed proposals which have been received by the committee on alms, in answer to their advertisement for proposals for a contract to furnish and deliver at the Alms House, a supply of meat and bread, and which have been reported to the common council at this meeting by said committee, be opened and read. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The proposals were opened, read, and found to be from Matthew Erwin, N. R. Fowler, and Drayton & Durant.

The following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Ald. Ogden, and adopted:

Resolved—That the proposals which have been received, opened and read at this meeting of the common council, for a contract to furnish and deliver a supply of meat and bread at the Alms House, for one year, be referred to the committee on alms, with authority to enter into a contract with the lowest bidder for each of said contracts, provided said committee deem it to the interests of the city to make said contracts.

The committee on streets, through Ald. Thurston, its chairman, reported verbally, that the contractor of laying Belgian pavement will leave off at Warren street, and commence anew at crossing of Grove street, in Newark avenue, and proceed in said avenue from Grove street to Warren street.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred, July 19th, 1859, the petition of Frank J. Quinn for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the mayor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to Frank J. Quinn on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

On motion of Ald. Warner the vote was reconsidered by which at last meeting the resolution of Ald. Tilden was adopted, appointing a time and place for a hearing of parties interested in the application of G. McLaughlin and others for construction of sewer in Newark avenue, from Warren to Henderson streets.

On motion of Ald. Tilden, the resolution was amended by striking out the name of "G. McLaughlin" and inserting the name of "D. S. Manners" as the applicant.

The resolution as amended was then adopted, and as passed is as follows:

Resolved, That Wednesday, 10th day of August, 1859, at half-past 7 o'clock p. m., in the city clerk's office, 23 Montgomery street, be appointed as the time and place when and where parties interested in the application of D. S. Manners and others, to have a sewer constructed on Newark avenue, between Warren and Henderson streets, will have a hearing before the committee on sewers on the merits of the said application, and that the city clerk is hereby instructed to publish in the corporation paper notice of the appointment of the time and place for such hearing.

The special committee appointed July 19, 1859, on claim of Terence Beirne for trees and shrubbery for Washington square, presented the following resolution

Resolved, That the special committee on claim of Geo. S. Gardner, assigned to him by Terence Bierne for work done and shrubbery furnished for Washington Square, be authorized to spend the sum of five dollars in obtaining a florist to make estimate of the value of said work done and shrubbery furnished.

The resolution was adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Brown and adopted:

Resolved, That the chief of police be and is hereby directed to enforce the ordinance passed in 1846, respecting porters, hack-drivers and runners.

Alderman Hardenbergh offered the following resolution:

Resolved—That John M. Fouquet be appointed a city surveyor, upon furnishing such bonds as are requisite when approved by the common council.

Ald. Earle moved, that the resolution be laid upon the table.

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the the call of Ald. Hardenbergh, McBride and Clarke.

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Brown, Christie, Earle, Hankins, Hoffman, McLaughlin, Thurston and Tilden.

Nays—Ald. Clarke, Decker, Edge, Hardenbergh, McBride, Ogden and Warner.

Ald. Warner offered the following resolution:

Resolved—That the Water Commissioners are hereby directed to drain Newark avenue, by building a sewer and receiving-basins on the Water Commissioners plan in Newark avenue, from Henderson to Warren street, and from thence to the Hudson River.

On motion of Ald. Earle the resolution was laid upon the table.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Hardenbergh:

Resolved—That the chief of police be requested to report to this Board the names of such parties as to the best of his knowledge and belief are selling spiritous liquors without license therefor having been obtained by the common council.

On motion of Ald. Hoffman the resolution was amended by adding the words "and all licensed or unlicensed parties selling liquor on Sundays," and as amended was adopted.

On motion of Ald. Thurston the following entitled ordinance presented April 5th, 1859, and laid upon the table, was taken up for consideration, viz.:

An ordinance providing that South 6th street, from the westerly side of Brunswick street to the easterly side of Mercer street, and Colgate street, between South 6th and South 7th streets, including intersections, and South 7th street, from a point one hundred feet west of Brunswick street to the westerly side of Colgate street be respectively filled in three feet.

The ordinance was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Ald. Hardenbergh.

Absent—Ald. Hankins.

On motion of Ald. Hardenbergh, the opinion of the corporation attorney in reference to the issuing of tax receipts to purchasers at corporation sales instead of declarations of sale heretofore issued, and the resolutions reported by said attorney, June 21, 1859, and laid on the table, were taken up and ordered printed on slips for the use of the Board.

On motion of Ald. Earle, the following described petitions, presented April 19th, 1859, and laid upon the table, were taken up and referred to committee on streets:

Petition of Thomas Royle and others to have sidewalks in front of lots 9, 11, 21 and 23, in block 2, Clerk and Bacot's map, curbed and guttered.

Petition of Thomas Royle and others to have the sidewalks in front of lots 10 and 12, in block 3, Clerk and Bacot's map, refilled and repaired.

On motion of Ald. McBride, the following resolutions reported by the committee on licenses, July 19, 1859, and laid upon the table, were taken up for consideration, viz.:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Patrick Meehan to keep an inn and tavern at the corner of North 3d and Erie streets, in the 4th ward of Jersey city.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Decker, Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Hankins.

Resolved, That a license be granted to William Lyons

to keep an inn and tavern at No. 11 Newark avenue in the second ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Alderman Hankins.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Dennis McCarty to keep an inn and tavern at No. 209 Greene st., in the second ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Alderman Hankins.

Resolved that a license be granted to Otto Meyer to keep an inn and tavern at No. 202 Grand st junction of Bright street, in the third ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Alderman Decker, Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Alderman Hankins.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Samuel Hamilton, to keep an inn and tavern at No. 22 York street in the second ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Alderman Hankins.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Joseph Smith, to keep an inn and tavern at No. 138 Newark avenue, "Bee Hive," in the fourth ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Alderman Hankins.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Ferdinand Wirtz to keep an inn and tavern at No. 90 Montgomery street, in the second ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Alderman Hankins.

Resolved, That a license be granted to John Hunter, to keep an inn and tavern at No. 176 Railroad avenue, in the second ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Alderman Decker, Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Alderman Hankins.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Henry Miller to keep an inn and tavern at Nos. 135 & 137 Hudson st in the second ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Alderman Decker, Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Alderman Hankins.

Resolved, That a license be granted to William Armstrong to keep an inn and tavern at the N.W. cor of Newark avenue and Grove street, in the fourth ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Alderman Hankins.

Resolved—That a license be granted to Michael McKone, to keep an inn and tavern at No. 146 South Third street, in the 4th ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenberg, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Decker, Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Hankins.

Resolved—That a license be granted to Francis Pool, to keep an inn and tavern at No. 218 Grand street, in the 3d ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Decker, Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Hankins

Resolved—That a license be granted to Patrick Toner to keep an inn and tavern, at No. 4 Prospect street, in the 2d ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays havidg been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Decker, Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Michael Dolan to keep an inn and tavern at No. 183 Greene corner of Wayne street, in the 2d ward of Jersey city.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Decker, Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Hankins.

Resolved, That a license be granted to James McCurrin to keep an inn and tavern at No. 334 Grove street, in the 4th ward of Jersey city :

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Decker, Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Hankins.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Geo. H. Dietz to keep an inn and tavern at No. 17 Newark avenue, in the 2d ward of Jersey city.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Decker, Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Hankins.

Resolved—That a license be granted to Francis Boyle to keep an inn and tavern, at No. 317 Grove street, in the 4th ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Decker, Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Hankins.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Hugh Reilly to keep an inn and tavern at No. 342 South 7th street, in the 3d ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Decker, Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Alderman Hankins.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Thos. Kelly to keep an inn and tavern at No. 345 South 5th street, in the 4th ward of Jersey city.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Ald. Decker, Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Hankins.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Taylor and Sylvester to keep a inn and tavern at the "Darcy House," corner Hudson and Montgomery streets, in the 2d ward of Jersey city.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst and Alderman Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Hankins.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Thos. Dwyer

to keep an inn and tavern at No. 32 Prospect street, in the 2d ward of Jersey city.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Decker, Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Hankins.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Jacob Dollfus to keep an inn and tavern at No. 233 Grand street, in the 3d ward of Jersey city.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Decker, Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Hankins.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Chas. Henkel to keep an inn and tavern at No. 144 Newark avenue, in the 4th ward of Jersey city.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Decker, Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Hankins.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Daniel Scally to keep an inn and tavern at No. 105 Steuben street, in the 2d ward of Jersey city.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Decker, Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Hankins.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Patrick Martin to keep an inn and tavern at No. 181 Newark avenue, known as the "4th Ward Hotel," in the 4th ward of Jersey city.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Decker, Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Hankins.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Frederick Hautsch to keep an inn and tavern, "Weavers' Arms Hotel," 179 Newark avenue, in the 3d ward of Jersey city.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—Ald. Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Hankins.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Lewis Ginsenbach to keep an inn and tavern at Nos. 98 and 100 Newark avenue, in the 4th ward of Jersey city.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Decker, Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Hankins.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Robert Gamble to keep an inn and tavern at No. 141 York street, in the 2d ward of Jersey city.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Decker, Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Hankins.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Richard Taylor to keep an inn and tavern at corner Greene and Montgomery streets, in the 2d ward of Jersey city.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Hankins.

Resolved, That a license be granted to John G. Berrian for a license to keep an inn and tavern at north-east corner of Greene and York streets, known as the "Empire Billiard Saloon," in the 2d ward of Jersey city.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Ald. Decker, Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Hankins.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Wm. and C. B. Jaquins to keep an inn and tavern at Nos. 23 and 24 Montgomery street, in the 2d ward of Jersey city.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Hankins.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Hugh Garland to keep an inn and tavern at No. 34 Wayne street, in the 2d ward of Jersey city.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Decker, Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Hankins.

Alderman Hardenbergh moved, That the vote be reconsidered by which the resolutions reported by the committee on licenses, July 19, 1859, in favor of granting licenses to parties to keep inns and taverns were rejected.

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Thurston, Hardenbergh and McBride.

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst, and Aldermen Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Alderman Hankins.

The resolutions were taen disposed of as follows :

Resolved, That a license be granted to John D. Nolan to keep an inn and tavern at No. 9 Montgomery street, in the second ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Alderman Hankins.

Resolved that a license be granted to William Schumann to keep an Inn and tavern at No. 66 Essex street, in the 1st ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Alderman Hankins.

Resolved, That a license be granted to James Smith, to keep an inn and tavern at No. 28 Newark avenue in the second ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner,

Absent—Alderman Hankins.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Henrich Adeling to keep an inn and tavern at No. 66 Warren street, in the 1st ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Alderman Decker, Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Alderman Hankins.

On motion of Alderman Tilden the objections of His Honor the Mayor to signing warrant in favor of Robert Grigleitti for $30 80, for recording marriages, births and deaths laid before the common council by the city clerk July 19, 1859, and laid upon the table was taken up for consideration.

Alderman Tilden moved, That the amount of said claim be paid notwithstanding the objections of His Honor the Mayor.

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Edge, Hoffman, McBride and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hardenbergh, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Alderman Hankins.

On motion of Alderman Edge, The Board proceeded to the appointment of a policeman to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Peter Scheel.

Aldermen Clarke and McLaughlin were appointed and acted as tellers

Three ballotings were had which resulted as follows:

First balloting—

William Hacket received three votes.
Ira Smith received two votes.
Julian P. Chazotte received six votes.
Haybeek received one vote.
Clarke received one vote.
Two blanks were cast.

Second balloting—

William Hackett received four votes.
Ira Smith received three votes.
Julian P. Chazotte received seven votes,
One blank was cast.

Third balloting—

William Hackett received two votes.
Ira Smith received two votes.
Julian P. Chazotte received nine votes.
Two blanks were cast.

Whereupon Julian P. Chazotte having received the requisite number of votes was declared appointed a policeman.

On motion of Alderman Clarke the Board then adjourned. THOS. E. TILDEN, City Clerk, pro tem.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, August 2d, 1859, at 7½ o'clock p. m.

Present—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Clarke, Decker, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Alderman Christie, Earle, McLaughlin and Ogden.

The minutes of the regular meeting of July 19, 1859, and of the adjourned regular meeting of July 26, 1859, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, &c., were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Communication from E. B. Wakeman, stating that his mother is very ill, and is much annoyed by the noise, &c., of boys and children in the north-east section of Washington square, and asking that the same may be closed for the present.

Referred to committee on public grounds and buildings, with power.

Petition of W. L. Broking, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 229 Newark avenue. Referred to committee on licenses.

Remonstrance of James R. Thompson (agent of D. S. Gregory and others,) against the application to have established the street grade or curb on York, Montgomery and Gregory sts., between Warren and Henderson streets, &c. Referred to committee on streets.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz.:

Of Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Co., $49 37; Maynard Sharp, $7 26, $5, $4 31, $4 13, $3 63, $3 57; Wm. B. Dunning, $3 50; Maynard Sharp, $2 50, $2 50 and $1 50. Referred to committee on fire and water.

Jasper Wandle, $31 25 and $31 25; Thomas Howe, $27 20; Samuel Cassedy, $15 62; P. D. Van Syckel & Co., $15 40; David Bedford, $13, and Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Co., $2 86. Referred to committee on public grounds and buildings.

Of Thomas Royle, $38 08; A. B. Reynolds, $25 and $15; Thomas Royle, $10 52, $10 41 and $7 39. Referred to committee on streets.

Of Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Co., $1022 90; J. F. Richardson, $34 25; Hugh Billingsley $18, and Mrs. Ann Eaton, $17. Referred to committee on lamps.

Of Drayton & Durant, $81 13; Hugh Reilly, $14 99, and Edward Hope, jr., $1. Referred to committee on alms.

Of Maynard Sharp, $36 62, $27 81, and J. F. Richardson, $12. Referred to Committee on police.

Of Peter Waggoner, $40. Referred to committee on public health.

Of Wm. B. Dunning, $20 25. Referred to committee on finance.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct, and ordered paid, viz.:

Of Police Department, $1340 37; Fidelity Division, $75, and Nat aniel Ellis, $31 31.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board, were reported correct, and ordered paid, viz.:

Of A. B. Reynolds, $4,196 56; E. C. Marsen, $300; Drayton and Durant, $101 95; Martin Bly, $5; Richard Bly, $49 87; John Murphy, $28 50; Patrick Carey, $20 25; Hugh Reilly, $15 91; Lawrence Owens, $11 25; John McCarty, $8; Isaac Wakefield, $4 90; Jones & Terhune, $3 44, and Pablo Snow, $1 25.

The city clerk laid before the board the following communication from his Honor the Mayor, filed in the City Clerk's office on the 2d instant, and the same was read, received, and ordered to be entered at large on the journal of proceedings of the Common Council, and was laid upon the table.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, July 30th, 1859.

To the Hon. the Common Council:

Gentlemen—I return, without my signature, the ordinance dated July 26th, for filling three feet of part of certain streets west of Brunswick street. This property forms part of the marsh lying south of Newark turnpike, and north of the New Jersey Railroad. The owners of a part of it have recently divided it into city lots by laying out streets through it. A part of the marsh has not yet been mapped for that object with the concurrence of the owners. I am not aware of the existence of any nuisance upon it by stagnant water. If there is, it has been the work of the owners themselves. The creek of the woods, or Mill creek, continues to overflow with salt water twice in twenty-four hours a part of it. The draining into it can be made at a cheap rate for temporary use. Should the filling, which the ordinance contemplates, be made, it will, I think, create a nuisance by damming up the natural run of rain water, and it will be better to allow the owners of the property to make such temporary improvement as the case may demand, than to interfere with them. It appears that but one of the owners was aware of the petition for this ordinance, as it was made by no other person, and it is personally known to me that the other owners have always been willing to co-operate with him in every preliminary arrangement to accommodate the use of his lots, without any interference of the Common Council.

It is in your power to take upon yourself the filling of these lots, but at this stage of proceeding the expense will fall on the city, as you have no authority to assess and collect it from the property.

Besides its illegality, it will establish a dangerous precedent which will involve the city in expensive litigation and heavy loss, which can only be met by a general tax. If persevered in, all the marshes, bays and overflowed lands within the boundaries of the city, can be entered upon in the same manner. Whereas the personal interest of property owners may induce them, as it has done heretofore, to prepare the way themselves to make street or wharf improvements for city lots in advance of any public demand for their use.

The illegality of the present action consists in not laying out a plan of operation for making these streets. The filling of three feet may exceed the necessary grade required, as well as fall short of it. The law contemplated a settled arrangement for the future occupancy, of city lots on suburban grounds, by plans and grades. These grades are established generally with the concurrence of the property owners, after this the Common Council may improve the streets in the usual manner at the cost of lots fronting on them, but not before. This established grade enables the lot owner to build understandingly and in harmony with the grade of the street. Otherwise, injustice is done him by forcing him to raise or lower his house, as the case may be, or to leave it, with its disadvantages, an unseemly object. When a grade is once established (showing the importance of having the best judgment exercised in doing it), no change can be made of it, without the consent of a majority of three-fourths of the owners, and by paying damages. (See Section 53 of Charter, also Section 2 of Ordinances, passed 28th July, 1843, on paving streets.) All ordinances for filling and paving streets presuppose a grade established to which they refer, as well as the fundamental act. I, therefore, deem it unwise for you to adopt the ordinance now returned, which has called forth these extended remarks.

All which is respectfully submitted.

D. S. GREGORY, Mayor.

A communication was presented from the Engineer of the Board of Water Commissioners enclosing an estimate of the cost of building a sewer in Greene street, from Montgomery street, to connect with the Wayne street sewer, and returned the petition of Michael Mullone, referred to said board May 17, 1859.

The communication and petition were received, and Alderman Tilden offered the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved—That the petition of Michael Mullone, for the construction of a sewer in Greene street, from Montgomery street, to connect with the Wayne street sewer, referred to the Board of Water Commissioners, May 17, 1859, and returned by said Board at this meeting, with their estimate of the cost and description of such sewer, be received, and referred to the committee on sewers, and that Tuesday, August 30, 1859, at half-past 7 o'clock, p. m., at the city clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery st., is hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the committee on sewers of this common council will meet for the purpose of hearing on the merits of the same all parties interested in said application and the proposed improvement and that the city clerk is hereby directed to publish in the Corporation paper, for the length of time required by law, notice of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing, and to embrace in said notice the estimate and description above-mentioned.

The report of the city treasurer for the month of July, 1859, showing balance in treasury July 31, 1859, of $9472 99, was presented, received, and ordered filed.

The report of the superintendent of the Alms House, for the quarter ending July 31, 1859, was presented, received and ordered filed.

The report of the overseer of the poor, for the quarter ending July 31, 1859, was presented, received, and ordered filed.

Resignation of Hugh McComb, as collector of assessments. Received and ordered filed.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of application of John N. Fiere and others, for the construction of a sewer in South 7th street, &c., and the same was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of application, to have established a street grade for the curb on the northeast corner of Warren and Montgomery streets, eight feet above the official high water

line, conformably to the profile map accompanying the application, and the same was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "application to have Bright st., from Grove to Jersey street, graded, paved, curbed, guttered and flagged, where not already done," and the same was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "application to have Brunswick street, between South 8th street and Newark ave., and a portion of South 6th street, between Brunswick st. and Newark ave., filled to the established grade, curbed and guttered," and the same was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "Application to have the sidewalk in Grove street, on the east side, from Mercer to Bay street, flagged out to full width, and crosswalks laid on Railroad avenue on the east side," and the same was received, and ordered filed.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "Confirmation of assessment for laying side walk in Warren and Essex streets," and the same was received and ordered filed.

A certificate was presented from Stephen Quaife, Superintendent, certifying that Messrs. Hunt and Armstrong are entitled to a payment of one thousand dollars on account of contract for building Station House and Bell Tower; and Ald. McBride offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of Hunt & Armstrong for one thousand dollars, being the first payment due to them, as per certificate of the superintendent, presented this evening, on their contract for building a Station House and Bell Tower.

The resolution was laid upon the table,

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, enclosing returns of the following elections in and expulsions from said Department, confirmed by the commissioners of the Fire Department.

Elections of Thomas Kelly and Charles Isbills, by Engine Co. No. 4. Expulsions of George H. Williamson, David Wakefield, Isaac S. Miller and Samuel McKeon, from Hose Co., No. 1.

Michael Clemens from Engine Co. No. 4.

The communications were received, and the action of the commissioners of the fire department was approved and confirmed.

The special committee to whom was referred July 19, 1859, the petition of George S. Gardner, setting forth that he holds an assignment of the claim of Terence Beirne against the city for $667, for trees and shrubbery for Washington square, presented a report accompanied by a certificate of florists, estimating the value of said work done at $533 70, the report offering no recommendation thereon. The report was received and laid upon the table.

The committee on finance, to whom was referred July 19, 1859, the petition of John Kiernan, setting forth that his lot B in block A has been sold for taxes of 1853, and asking that he may present his proofs of the payment of said taxes, presented a report setting forth that they will take the necessary steps upon the petitions presenting his proofs to the committee. The report was received, and ordered filed.

The committee on Finance, to whom was referred July 26, 1859, the communication of Henry A. Booreum setting forth, that March 23, 1857, he became the purchaser of lot 5, in block H, for taxes of 1856, and asking that the purchase money be refunded to him, the said property being incorrectly described in the advertisement of sale, presented a report recommending the adoption of the following preamble and resolutions:

Whereas lot No. 5 Grove street, block H, assessed to L.D. Landrine, was erroneously advertised, and sold, March 23, 1857, for taxes of 1856, said block being on block X, therefore,

Resolved, That the city clerk be and is hereby instructed to cancel of record lot 5, Grove street, block H, assessed to L. D. Landrine, and sold to H. A. Booraem, March 23d, 1857, for taxes of 1856, and that the same, corrected, be readvertised by the city clerk.

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn in favor of Henry Booream for the sum of twenty six and 87-100 dollars, ($26 87) with interest thereon at the rate of seven per cent per annum, from the date of sale, being the amount of purchase money paid by him into the city treasury for property, as above described, and that said warrant be delivered upon surrendering to the city clerk the declaration of sale for cancellation.

The report was received and the preamble and resolutions were adopted.

The committee on assessments presented a report in reference to the assessment for laying sidewalk in Warren and Essex streets, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That three per cent. be added for collector's fees, to the amount of the assessment for laying sidewalk in Morris and Essex streets, and that said assessment be confirmed: The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Ald. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Christie, Earle, Hankins, McLaughlin, and Ogden.

Ald. Thurston, from the committee on streets, presented four sealed proposals, received by said committee in answer to their advertisement for proposals for the contract for the filling in and regulation of Newark avenue, from Warren street to Jersey avenue, where the same requires to bring it to grade, including all intersections, and on his motion the proposals were opened and read. They were found to be from Keeney and Halliday, Adrian B. Reynolds, Barzillai W. Ryder and John Coar.

The following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Ald. Thurston and adopted:

Resolved, That the four sealed proposals received for the improvement of Newark avenue be referred to committee on streets, with power to contract with the lowest bidder, if they deem it for the interest of the city so to do.

The committee on police, to whom was referred, July 19, 1859, the communication from his Honor the Mayor, enclosing charges against policeman William N. Strong, &c., presented a report thereon recommending that said Strong be dismissed from the police department.

The report was laid upon the table until the evidence taken before said committee be produced before the Board.

The Committee on licenses, to whom was referred July 19, 1859, the petition of Thomas Neville, to be appointed an auctioneer, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved—That a license to sell goods and merchandize at auction, in Jersey city, be granted to Thomas Neville. The report was received, and the resolution adopted.

The committee on public health, to whom was referred, July 19, 1859, the claims of Peter Waggoner, amounting to $123 and $80, for impounding and killing dogs, presented reports in favor of the payment of said claims. The reports and claims were laid upon the table.

The following entitled ordinances were presented by Ald. Thurston, and were laid upon the table, viz:

"An ordinance to provide for the flagging to the full width of the sidewalk, on the east side of Grove street, from the southerly side of Mercer st. to the southerly side of Bay st., and for laying cross-walks on said st. at the intersection with the Railroad avenue, on the east side."

"An ordinance for filling in to the established grade, paving, curbing, and guttering Bright st., from Grove to Jersey st., including intersections, and for laying side walks on said Bright st., from Grove to Jersey street, where required."

"An ordinance to provide for filling in to the established grade, curbing and guttering where required, South 6th street, between Brunswick st. and Newark avenue."

"An ordinance to provide for filling in to the established grade, curbing and guttering Brunswick street, between South 8th st. and Newark ave."

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Hardenbergh and adopted:

Resolved, That the annual reports of the City Comptroller, Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, Chief of Police, Board of Education, Overseer of the Poor & Superintendent of the Alms House, and City Physicians, lying upon the table, be taken up, together with the laws for the better regulation of the Fire Department, be ordered published, under the direction of the committee on finance.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Hardenbergh and adopted:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn in favor of John Eltingham for five dollars, for services rendered to the special committee, and claim of Terence Bierne, in furnishing valuation of work done and shrubbery furnished for Washington Square, said amount having been authorized pursuant to resolution of the Common Council, July 26th, 1859.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Brown:

Resolved—That a warrant be drawn on the the city treasurer in favor of Geo. S. Gardner, for five hundred

dollars, to be in full, for claim of Terence Bairne, for planting trees in Washington square.

The resolution was laid upon the table.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Alderman Hardenbergh:

Whereas, a bond of the city, issued to the Hudson County Bank, in the sum of ten thousand dollars, for monies borrowed of said Bank, in anticipation of the taxes of 1859, to meet current demands upon the treasury, falls due August 5th. Therefore, resolved, that the committee on finance be instructed to have renewed said bond; and to issue a new bond, said new bond to be dated August 5th, 1859, and to be drawn payable on December 21st, 1859, with interest thereon at the rate of 7 per cent. per annum, and that his Hon. the Mayor be requested and the city clerk be instructed to sign the same, and to attach the seal of the city thereto.

The preamble and resolution were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Brown, Clarke, Docker, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Christie, Earle, Hankins, McLaughlin and Ogden.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman McBride:

Resolved, That as the payments fall due to Hunt and Armstrong, on their contract for building a Station House and Bell Tower, warrants be drawn on the City Treasurer in their favor on the filing in the city clerk's office of certificates of the superintendent and requisitions of the committee on public grounds and buildings

The resolution was laid upon the table.

The following resolutions were offered by Alderman Tilden and adopted:

Resolved, That all action heretofore had by this Common Council, appointing a time and place for a hearing in the matter of the application of D. S. Manners and others for the construction of a sewer in Newark ave., from the intersection of Henderson st. to the Hudson River, with all the necessary tributaries connected there with according to the grade and general plan of sewerage laid down by the water commissioners, and adopted by the Common Council, presented June 14th, 1859, be and the same is hereby rescinded.

Resolved, That the above mentioned petition of D. S. Manners and the communication of the Board of Water Commissioners, presented July 5th, 1859, be taken up from the files and referred to the committee on sewers, and that Tuesday, Aug. 30, 1859, at 7½ o'clock p.m., at the city clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery st., is hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the committee on sewers of this Common Council will meet for the purpose of hearing on the merits of the same all parties interested in the said application and the proposed improvement, and that the city clerk is hereby directed to publish in the corporation paper for the length of time required by law notice of the presentation of the said application and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing, and to embrace in said notice the estimate and description furnished by the Board of Water Commissioners in their communication presented to this Common Council, September 14, 1858, in the matter of the application for sewer in Newark avenue and Montgomery street, from Henderson street to the Hudson River.

The following entitled ordinance was presented by Ald. Hardenbergh, and laid upon the table, viz.:

"An ordinance to provide for the delivery of receipts to purchasers at sales by the city for unpaid taxes, assessments and water rates."

On motion of Ald. Hoffmann, the opinion of the city attorney as to the right of the Morris Canal Co. to drive piles in the waters of the Bay, below Bergen street, was referred to the committee on ferries and wharves.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh, the following entitled ordinance, laid upon the table July 19, 1859, was taken up for consideration, viz.:

"An ordinance for the assessment of an annual tax for the year ending May 1st, 1860, exclusive of a Poll Tax." The ordinance was read, and again laid on the table.

On motion of Ald. Thurston, it was

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns, it will adjourn to meet again at this common council chamber, on Tuesday evening next, the 9th inst., at half-past 7 o'clock, p.m.

On motion of Ald. Hoffman the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday, August 9, 1859 at 7½ o'clock, p. m.

Present—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McLaughlin, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Aldermen Decker, Earle, Edge, McBride and Ogden.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Petition of Peter Morris and others to have their property released from lien taxes of 1857. Referred to committee on finance.

Petition of G. E. Winants and others to have Morgan Street, between Prospect and Greene Streets paved with Belgian pavement, the property to pay towards it the cost of cobble stone pavement. Referred to committee on streets.

Petition of Thomas O'Mahoney and others to have the cow stable situated at No. 213 Bay street, removed and all nuisance created thereby abated. Referred to committee on health with power.

Petition of Joseph Hencil to be appointed a policeman. Laid upon the table.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

A. B. Reynolds $4446 90, and A. Love $180 00. Referred to committee on streets.

Of Richard D. McClelland $107 60. Referred to committee on laws and ordinances.

Of I B & D E Culver $30 00. Referred to committee on public grounds and buildings.

Of Japhet Jardine $26 07. Referred to committee on fire and water.

Of William B. Dunning $7 75. Referred to committee on finance.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz.:

Of James B. Hills $53 72, and A. B. Reynolds $48 55.

The following claims and accounts, presented and received, referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz.:

Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Co., $1,022 90; Thomas Royle, $38 08; J. F. Richardson, $34 25; A. B. Reynolds, $25; Hugh Billingsley, $18; Mrs. Ann Eaton, $17; A. B. Reynolds, $15; Thomas Royle, $10 52, $10 41, and $7 39.

The resignation of W. N. Strong as policeman, was presented, received and laid upon the table.

The Recorder's Quarterly Report to August 1, 1859, was presented, received and ordered filed.

A Report by Chief of Police of the number of children lost and found, and of those returned to their parentage, &c., was presented, received, and ordered filed.

A Report by the Chief of Police, showing the number and location of gas lamps not lighted during the quarter ending August, 1st, 1859, was presented, received, and referred to committee on lamps.

The Quarterly Report to August 1st, 1859, of the Chief of Police was presented, received, and ordered to be published with the minutes.

Said Report being as follows:

CRIMES.	May.	June.	July.	Total.
Drunk and disorderly,	41	33	25	99
Disorderly conduct	4	4	4	12
Keeping disorderly houses,	2	3	—	5
Drunkenness	29	22	24	75
Burglary	—	1	—	1
Larceny	11	16	15	42
Attempt at larceny	1	1	—	2
Suspicion of larceny	—	2	1	3
Suspicion of burglary,	2	—	—	3
Picking pockets,	1	—	—	1
Entering houses with intent to steal	2	—	—	2
Attempt to kill	1	—	—	1
Attempt to rob United States Mail	1	—	—	1
Assault and battery	10	3	16	29
Threatening life,	4	4	2	10
Wife beating	—	14	9	23
Interfering with Officers	—	2	2	4
Destroying property	—	3	5	8
Assault and battery with intent to kill	—	1	—	1
Violation of City ordinance	—	—	2	2
Driving over a child,	—	—	1	1
Threatening to burn house	—	—	1	1
Assault	—	3	4	7
Seduction,	—	1	—	1
Rape	1	2	—	3
Loose characters	4	—	—	4
Gambling,	5	—	—	5
Assaulting Officers	2	2	—	4
Fighting	2	4	6	12
Committing nuisance	1	—	—	1
Insanity	1	—	—	1
Vagrancy	4	6	1	11

NATIVITY :

United States	58
England	34
Ireland	252
Germany	12
France	2
Scotland	8
Other parts of the world	9
Total	375

AGE :

1 to 10 years	9
10 to 20 "	48
20 to 30 "	141
30 to 40 "	111
40 to 50 "	57
50 to 60 "	10
60 to 70 "	2
Unable to tell	17
Total	175

That can read and write	171
Cannot read and write	205
Total	375

With trades	98
Without trades	277
Total	375

Males	330
Females	55
White persons	372
Black "	3
Total	375

NO. OF ARRESTS MADE BY EACH OFFICER.

	May	June	July.	Total.
Chief Marinus	3	1	6	10
Aid Hann	—	5	1	6
Aid Ayres	2	—	2	4
J. L. Ayres	6	2	5	13
Bennett	9	12	5	26
Babbington	—	3	1	4
Baldwin	6	3	2	11
Berry	—	2	1	3
Callahan	5	2	2	9
Chazotte	5	2	6	13
Carroll	5	3	4	12
Daly	4	6	2	12
Fallan	4	7	6	17
Holloway	2	1	1	4
Harney	3	9	8	20
Jordan	4	5	6	15
Kilcauly	9	4	4	17
McLaughlin	4	5	—	9
Mould	4	8	6	18
Mann	2	6	3	11
Murphy	5	—	10	15
McNamara	2	5	5	12
O'Donnell	4	6	7	17
Strong	3	4	—	7
Snow	2	5	2	9
Sanford	2	—	1	3
Smith	2	1	1	5
Thompson	3	2	3	8
Valade	7	5	6	19
Wheeler	—	5	4	8
Ward	3	6	1	10
Duffey	1	—	—	1
Van Vorhees	3	1	1	5
Towle	2	—	—	2
Davis	7	—	—	7
Hurley	1	—	—	1
Schecl	5	—	—	5
Robbins	1	—	—	1
Constable Hayteck	—	—	1	1
do. Farrell	—	—	1	1
By Citizens	—	—	3	3

CASH TAKEN AND RETURNED :

Cash taken in full		$146 73
Cash returned	$132 66	
Cash on hand	14 07	$146 73

OTHER PROPERTY TAKEN AND RETURNED :

Books, 2; razors, 3; Knives, 5; Canes, 1; Kegs, 5; one pack of playing cards; pairs of stockins, 2; Bundles, 1; trunks, 1, silk cape, 1; Umbrella, 1, watches, 3, chains, 1; pocket books, 2, some needle-work, 1; door mats, 4.

All returned to owners except four door mats and one book.

NUMBER OF LODGERS ACCOMMODATED FROM MAY 1ST TO AUGUST 1ST, 1859 :

Total number	799

NATIVITY.

United States 135; England 99; Ireland 458; Scotland 37; Germany 57; France 10; Other parts 3. Total 799.

Male	691
Female	108
	799

A Report by the Chief of Police of the names of persons selling liquor without license, &c., was presented, received and ordered to be published with the minutes.

Said Report being as follows :

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

JERSEY CITY, August 9th, 1859.

To the Honorable the Common Council :

The following is my report of the number of persons selling spirituous liquors without license, as near as can be ascertained, to the best of my knowledge and belief. All of which is submitted by

Your obedient servant,
JACOB Z. MARINUS, Chief of Police.

Mathew Kelley, No. 42 Berger street,
William Whalen, No. 103 do
Bernard Getley, No. 53 Warren street,
Mr. Alting, No. — corner of Essex and Warren st.
James Carroll, No. 1 Bergen street,
John Leonard, No. 2 do
Phelix Jordan, No. 3 do
Wm. Shurman, No. — cor of Washington & Essex st.
William Dixon, No. 36 Essex street,
Michael Leary, No. 83 cor Greene and Morris st.
Thomas Lemmon, No. — Greene st. (no No.)
Mrs. Murty, No. 68 do
Patrick Farney, No. 72 do
Thomas Lynch, No. 26 cor Morris and Greene st.
Thomas Carney, No. 36 Morris street,
James Scoffild, No. 30 do
Mrs Black, No. 26 do
George Miller, No. — cor Bergen and Warren st.
James Young, No. 125 Hudson street,
John Webster, No. 127 do
Arthur Carlan, No. 34 Wayne street,
Patrick McDonald, No. 198 Warren street,
Michael Malone, No. — cor Warren and Mercer st's.
Lewis Meyer, No. 35 Sussex cor Greene street,
Christopher Matthews, No. — cor Sussex & Greene st.
Jacob Smyth, No. 123 Washington st.
Johnson Hunt, cor Morgan and Prospect sts.
Thomas Clemens, No. 7 Prospect st,
Lewis Jost, No. 7 Railroad avenue,
Peter McCaumas, No. 131 Morgan st.
John Farley, No. 181 do
August Sturgan, cor Railroad ave and Prospect st.
Mrs. McNulty, No. 35 Prospect st.
Jane Murrane, No. 38 do
Thomas McDermett, No 55 do
Sarah Blake, cor Grove and Bay sts.
James McNulty, No. 228 Grove street,
Mrs. Morgan, No. 183 Morgan street,
Mr. Murray, No. 70 Prospect st.
Edward McGonnell, No 63 Newark avenue,
Lewis Heller, No 9 do
John Darmon, No 35 Gregory st.
Henry Koster, No 133 Montgomery st.
Frederick Brubeck, No 47 Newark avenue,
Patrick Manien, No 74 do
Thomas P. Bradley, No 79 do
Christopher Tracy, No 66½ do
Bridget Scofield, No 50 do
John Purcell, No 42 do
Edward Carrigan, No. 40 do
Michael Malone, No 93 cor Mercer and Warren sts.
William Brannan, No 7 Railroad avenue,
Henry Farbus, No 11 do
Patrick Rohill, No 14 do
Thomas Doyle, No 48 do
Christopher Cating, No 48 do
Peter Sutney, No 29 Prospect street,
John A. Ahmayer, No 22 do
Henry Brosdrick, No 152 Steuben street,
Frederick White, No 46 do
Catharine Welch, No 136 do
James Tauer, No 124 do
Catharine Cronan, No 99 do
Peter Hart, No 201 Warren st.
Patrick McKurk, No 129 Morgan street,
Thomas Brady, No 137 do
Daniel Dixon, No 155 do
Robert Malcom, No 153 do
William Bush, No. 42 Prospect street,
Edward McClusky, No 54 do
Michael Feanerty, No 261 Grand street,
John Barrett, No 259 do

Patrick Smith, No 257 [illegible] do
Otto Meyer, No 208 do
Bernard McAnally, No 205 do
Henry White, No 224 do
Michael Gibbons, No 16 Colden street,
John McMeinon, No 263 Grand street,
Mrs. Gorman, No 227 do
James Ward, No 207 do
Michael Horsley, No 62 do
Robert Dickie, No 201 do
Christopher Rapp, No 212 do
Patrick Carrigan, No 214 Barrow st.
Michael Carrigan, No 161 Newark avenue,
Henry Lohmaa, No 111 Grand st.
John Delaney, No — Newark avenue,
William French, No 185 Montgomery street,
Carnell Scanell, No 174 do
Michael Calow (same house as above)
John Donnelly, No 76 Railroad avenue,
Taylor & Miller, cor Henderson st. & Newark ave.
John Warters, No 71 Railroad avenue,
Richard Burke, No 252 do
Dominick Murns, No 248 do
Francis Caldwell, No 310 Grove st.
Christian Matthews, cor Prospect and South 4th st.
William Hayhalin, No 168 Prospect st.
Thomas Riely (same house as above)
John Egan, cor of Erie and North 3d sts.
John Garmly, Erie st. (no No)
Adam Schwartz, No 368 Grove st., cor South 4th.
Edward O. Riely, Prospect st. (no No)
Michael Carbet, No 308 2d st.
Adolph Sterling, cor 2d and Erie sts.
Murty Murphy, No 120 Coles st.
Could not get name, No 207 3d street,
do No 334 Grove st. cor 3d st.
John Kennedy, grocer, No 366 South 6th st.
H. D. Heyler, do cor Coles and South 6th sts.
Henry Koop, No 310 South 5th st.
—— McNulty, No 328 South 7th st.
Arthur Slanen, No 272 Newark avenue,
Thomas Kelly, No 345 South 3d st.
Jacob Seibei, No 302 Newark avenue,
Mrs. Ridley, No 294 do
Mr. Kernan, No 364 do
—— Blackhall, No 282 do
Henry S. Callo, No 278 do
Mrs. Masterson, No 360 South 6th st.
John Kelly, No 356 do
Mr. Caselman, No 252 Newark avenue
Francis Grimes No 244 do
Mr. Cochran, No 41 Coles st.
Mr. McCabe, No 328 South 6th st.
Mrs Vandall, No. 341 do
Mrs. Cook, No 331 South 4th st.
A. J. Smith, No 4½ Jersey avenue,
O. S. Routren, No 124 Newark avenue,
James McCoy, No 164 do
William L. Broking, No 229 do
Michael Carman, No 273 do
John Mack, No 271 do
John Mahen, No 279 do
—— Riely, No 285 do
John Werder. No 289 do
John Candy, cor Newark ave. and South 6th st.
John Sigte, do do do
Lawrence Giobons, No 37 Brunswick st.
Thomas McGraw, No 23 do
Michael Donahoe, No 22 do
Cornelius Farley, No 3 do
Michael Barrett, No 365 South 7th st.
Patrick Crason, No 366 do
Patrick Malon, No 365 do
Dennis Carr, No 349 do
J. H. W. Base, No 341 do
James Fitz-Gerald, No 315 South 8th street,
Patrick Malone, No 320 do
Mrs. Tarmey, No 319 do
John Connelly, No 325 do
Thomas Halloran, No 330 do
John Finerty, No 345 do
John Fizt-patrick, No 352 do
John Newell, cor South 8th and Brunswick st.
Martin Gallagher, No 270 Railroad avenue,
Patrick McGovern, No 262 do
Mrs McLaughlin, No 258 do
James Cramer, No 254 do

The committee on laws and ordinances to whom was referred July 26th 1859, the petition of Henry D. Holt and others for the enforcement of the ordinance against driving omnibuses on Sunday, &c., presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Chief of Police do hereby instruct the men of his department to report all violations of article 19 of the ordinance relating to omnibus and stage drivers approved February 13th 1852, and that he report the same to the Corporation Attorney who is hereby instructed to prosecute the same.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on streets presented a favorable report in reference to the application of George McLaughlan and others to have the sidewalk on the east side of Grove street from Mercer to Bay street flagged to the full width, and cross-walks laid on the east side of Railroad avenue, the report setting forth that a time of hearing has been had, and recommending the passage of the ordinance presented August 2, 1859, in reference to the said improvement.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The committee on streets presented a favorable report in reference to the application referred to them June 14, 1859, of Patrick Coyle and others, to have established the street grade for the curb on the north-east corner of Warren and Montgomery streets, to be eight feet above the official high-water line, conformably to the profile map accompanying the application, the report setting forth that a time of hearing has been had and recommending the passage of the ordinance presented July 19, 1859, in reference to the said improvement.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The committee on streets presented a favorable report in reference to the application referred to them June 14, 1859, of Patrick Duff and others, to have Brunswick street, between South 8th street and Newark avenue, and a portion of South 6th street, between Brunswick street and Newark avenue, filled to the established grade, curbed and guttered, the report setting forth that a time of hearing has been had, and recommending the passage of the ordinances presented August 2, 1859, in reference to said improvement.

The report was received and ordered filed.

Alderman Hankins presented the following resolution :

Resolved,—That a City bond be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the corporate seal of the City, to Hunt & Armstrong, for one thousand dollars, to be dated August 2nd, 1859, and made payable in fifteen years from its date, with interest half-yearly, at the rate of six per cent per annum; said bond being for the first payment due according to the certificate of the Superintendent of the work, presented August 2, 1859, to Hunt & Armstrong, on their contract for building a station-house and bell-tower.

The resolution was amended, on motion of Alderman Hardenbergh, by inserting after the words "That a City bond be issued," the words "on the requisition of the committee on finance."

The resolution as amended, was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Van Vorst, and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McLaughlin, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Decker, Earle, Edge, McBride, and Ogden.

Alderman Hankins presented the following resolution :

Resolved,—That as payments fall due to Hunt & Armstrong, under their contract for building a station-house and bell-tower, a bond of the City be issued to them, on the requisition of the committee on public grounds and buildings, by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the corporate seal of the City, for the amount of each payment as it falls due, and on the filing in the City Clerk's office by said committee of a certificate of the Superintendent that the necessary materials have been furnished and the work has been done to entitle said contractors to such payments.

The resolution was amended on motion of Alderman Hardenbergh, by striking out the words "public grounds and buildings" where they first occur, and inserting in their place the word "finance," and by striking out the words "said committee," and inserting in their place the words "the committee on public grounds and buildings."

The resolution as amended was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Van Vorst, and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clark, Hoffman, McLaughlin and Warner.

Nays—Aldermen Hankins, Hardenbergh, Thurston, and Tilden.

Absent—Aldermen Decker, Earle, Edge, McBride, and Ogden.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Hardenbergh :

Resolved,—That the committee on finance be requested to borrow from the Hudson Co. Bank, in anticipation of the taxes of 1858, the sum of ten thousand dollars, for the purpose of meeting the current demands upon

the treasury of the City; and that upon the requisition of the committee on finance, the City Clerk be and is hereby instructed to issue a bond therefor, said bond to be dated August 10th, 1859, and to be drawn, payable December 21st, 1859, with interest at the rate of seven per cent per annum, and that his honor the Mayor be requested and the City Clerk be instructed to sign the same.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McLaughlin, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nay—Alderman Hankins.

Absent—Aldermen Decker, Earle, Edge, McBride and Ogden.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh, the Board proceeded to the appointment of a Collector of Assessments.

Aldermen Warner and Clarke were appointed and acted as tellers.

Two ballotings were had, as follows:

First balloting—

Edward F. C. Young received seven votes.
Lincoln Bates received two votes.
Francis Hill received one vote.
Smith Mead received one vote.

Second balloting—

Edward F. C. Young received nine votes.
Lincoln Bates received one vote.
One blank was cast—

Whereupon Edward F. C. Young was declared appointed Collector of Assessments.

(Alderman Hankins obtained leave and retired.)

On motion of Alderman Hoffman, the vote was reconsidered, by which at the last meeting of the Common Council the report of the committee on police on the charges against policeman William N. Strong, was "laid upon the table until after the evidence taken before the committee be produced and laid before the Board,"—and the motion was rejected.

On motion of Alderman Thurston, the report was then laid upon the table.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh, the following entitled ordinance was taken up for consideration, viz.:

"An ordinance for the assessment of an annual tax for the year ending May 1st, 1860, exclusive of a poll tax."

The ordinance was amended on motion of Alderman Thurston, by inserting as the appropriation, "for support of alms house and hospital, $5000 00," in place of $7000 00.

On motion of Alderman Thurston, the ordinance was further amended, by inserting in the place of $20,000, for payment of bonds, $10,000, as the appropriation for that object.

The ordinance as amended, was then passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Hoffman, McLaughlin, Thuston, Tilden and Warner.

Nay—Ald. Hardenbergh.

Absent—Aldermen Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, McBride and Ogden.

On motion of Alderman Brown, the Board then proceeded to the appointment of a policeman for the Second Ward.

Aldermen Warner and Clarke were appointed and acted as tellers.

A balloting was had as follows:

Joseph Hencil received four votes.
Ira Smith received three votes.
William Reen received two votes.
Cook received one vote.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh, further balloting was dispensed with.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh, the application of Joseph Hencil, to be appointed a policeman, presented this evening, was taken from the table and referred to the committee on police.

Ald. Tilden moved

"That the lots belonging to C. F. Durant, on the north-west corner of Warren and Montgomery streets, be fenced at the expense of the city."

On motion of Ald. Clarke the motion was amended so as to read as follows:

"That the committee on streets be instructed to request Mr. C. F. Durant to fence in his lots on the north-east corner of Warren and Montgomery streets."

The motion as amended was then adopted.

On motion of Ald. McLaughlin the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, August 16, 1859, at half-past 7 o'clock, p.m.

Present—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Earle and Ogden.

The minutes of the regular meeting of August 2, 1859, and of the adjourned regular meeting of August 9, 1859, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Petition of Joel E. Gardner to be appointed a policeman. Referred to committee on police.

Remonstrance of D. S. Gregory and others, against the construction of a sewer in Newark avenue, from the intersection of Henderson st. to the Hudson River. Referred to the committee on sewers.

Petition of Henry Forbes for a license to peddle fish, fruit and vegetables. Referred to committee on licenses.

Official bond of Thomas Neville, as an auctioneer, with Richard Cornelison and Henry Finnegan as sureties. Approved and ordered filed in the Comptroller's office.

Official bond of Edward F. C. Young, as Collector of Assessments, with J. D. Miller and John Van Vorst as sureties. Approved, and ordered filed in the Comptroller's office.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Of A. Love, $45; Richard Bly, $18 12; John Murphy, $10 25; Patrick Geary, $7 51; Thomas Newham, $4, and Philo Snow, $2.

Referred to committee on streets.

Of Thomas Royle, $60; James McLaughlin, $52 80; W. H. Morton, $29; James McLaughlin, $26 48, and Stephen Quaife, $25.

Referred to committee on public grounds and buildings.

Of Thomas Newham, $2 12, and John Morris, $3.

Referred to committee on fire and water.

Of James F. Fielder, $275.

Referred to committee on sewers.

Of Ward & McGown, $70 63.

Referred to committee on alms.

A claim of George W. Cassedy, amounting to $100, was presented, referred to committee on salaries, offices and elections, afterwards reported correct, and ordered paid.

The following claims and accounts, presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board, were reported correct and ordered paid, viz.:

Of A. Love, $180; R. D. McClelland, $107 60; Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Co., $49 37: M. Sharp, $36 62; Jasper Wandell, $31 25 & 31 25, M. Sharp, $27 81; Thomas Howe, $7 20: Japhet Jardine, $26 07; Sam'l Cassedy, $15 62: P. D. Van Syckel & Co., $15 40; David Bedford, $13; J. F. Richardson, $12; William B. Dunning, $3 50, and Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Co., $2 86.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "Application to have established the street grade or curb on York, Montgomery and Gregory streets, be between Warren and Henderson streets, conformably to the profile map accompanying the application, and to correspond with the present actual regulation of Henderson street and the south side of York street," and the same was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "Application to have established the street grade or curb on Newark avenue, to be ten feet two inches at the north-east and south-east corners of Grove St., and thence easterly, descending about 8½ inches per 100 feet to three feet ten inches at a point distant 302 feet easterly from Prospect street, and to 3 feet 10 inches at a point distant 333 feet easterly from Henderson street, conformably to the profile map accompanying the application," and the same was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "Application to have South 3d street, between the centre of Prospect street and the westerly side of Provost street, filled to the established grade, paved, curbed, guttered, &c," and the same was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "Application to have established the boundary line of Newark avenue, remove all encroachments now on Newark avenue, from Warren street to the western boundary of Jersey City," and the same was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of application to have established the street grade, or curb, on the south-west and north-west corners of Mercer and Henderson streets, to be four feet four inches, and at the four corners of Wayne and Henderson streets to be five feet three inches, thence descending to four feet on Gregory street, at a point distant 171 feet easterly from Henderson street, conformably to the profile map accompanying the application," and the same was received and ordered filed.

The following requisition from the Board of Education was presented, received, and a warrant ordered to be drawn on the Treasurer in favor of the claimant therein named.

To the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City:

At a meeting of the Board of Education, held Monday evening, August 15, 1859,

It was resolved a that requisition be made upon the Common Council in favor of John Van Vorst, for $18 75, for rent of colored school to August 1, inst.

P. D. VROOM,
Aug. 6, 1859. Clerk Board of Education.

A communication was presented from the Board of Education, containing a preamble and resolutions passed by said Board, in reference to the public school-house in the third ward. The communication was referred to the Committee on Schools.

The annual report of the Board of Water Commissioners for the year ending July 1st, 1859, with the accompanying documents was presented, received, and ordered to be published, under the direction of the finance committee.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, enclosing returns of the following elections in said department, confirmed by the Commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department viz: Election of Richard M. Jordan and Henry F. Cox, by Hook and Ladder Company No. 1, and Morris E. Van Sickle by Hose Company No. 8. The communications were received and the action of the Commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department was approved and confirmed.

Ald. Hardenbergh, from the committee on finance, presented a specimen of coupon bonds, prepared for the Corporation of Jersey City, and the same was received and laid upon the table.

The committee on assessments, to whom were referred June 7th, 1859, to be assessed claims of John Wilson, and I. B. and D. E. Culver, for surveys, &c., and laying sidewalk in Warren and Essex streets, presented a report setting forth that the same have been assessed, and submitting the following resolutions:

Resolved, That an improvement certificate be issued under the direction of the committee on finance in favor of I. B. and D. E. Culver for nineteen dollars, being the amount of their bill for surveys and assessment map, for laying flagging in Warren and Essex streets, and that his Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the city clerk be directed to affix the seal of the city thereto.

Resolved, That an improvement certificate be issued under the direction of the committee on finance, in favor of John Wilson for one hundred and seventy-one dollars and forty cents, being the amount of his bill for furnishing the materials and flagging the sidewalk in Warren and Essex streets, and that his Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the city clerk be directed to affix the seal of the city thereto.

The resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Earle and Ogden.

The committee on streets, to whom was referred July 19th, 1859, the petition of George McLaughlin to have the sidewalks on both sides of Gregory street, from Warren street to Henderson street, and in Wayne St., from Henderson street to Grove street, filled to the established grade, and flag stones laid not less than six feet in width, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That Saturday, September 10th, 1859, at 7½ o'clock p.m., at the city clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street, is hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the committee on streets of this Common Council will meet for the purpose of hearing on its merits all parties interested in the application presented to this Common Council July 19th, 1859, of George McLaughlin to have the sidewalks on both sides of Gregory street, from Warren to Henderson street, and in Wayne street, from Henderson street to Grove street filled in to the established grade, and flag stones laid not less than six feet in width, and that the city clerk is hereby directed to publish in the corporation paper for the length of time required by the city charter notice of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on streets reported as correct the claim referred to them on the 9th instant, of A. B. Reynolds, amounting to $4,446 90, for laying Belgian pavement in Montgomery street.

The report was received, and the following resolutions were presented by Ald. Thurston :

Resolved, That a warrant for $803 44 be ordered drawn in favor of A. B. Reynolds, in part-payment for his claim, presented August 9th.

Resolved—That City Bonds to the amount of $3,643 46 be issued under the direction of the finance committee in favor of AB Reynolds,for the balance of his claim, presented August 9th.

The resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman McBride, McLaughlin, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Earle and Ogden.

The committee on streets, to whom was referred June 21st, 1859, the petition of John Pringle and others, to have Bright street, from Grrove to Jersey street, graded, &c., presented a favorable report thereon, recommending the passage of an ordinance in relation thereto,presented on the 2d instant. The report was received.

The committee on streets, to whom was referred August 9, 1859, the petition of G. E. Winants and others, to have Morgan street, between Prospect and Greene streets, paved with Belgian pavement, the difference of cost between the cobble stone and Belgian pavement to be paid by the city, presented a report adverse to granting the prayer of the petitioners. The report was received and adopted.

The committee on sewers reported the following resolution :

Resolved—That a warrant for one hundred and fifty dollars be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of John G. McLaughlin, to refund to him and the parties on whose behalf said sum was deposited in the city treasury, the amount placed in the hands of the City Treasurer, to defray the preliminary expenses connected with the building of a sewer to connect with the western terminus of the sewer in Essex street, to extend through Van Vorst and Grand streets, to the westerly line of Grove street, said sewer having been completed. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on sewers, to whom was referred May 3, 1859, the petition of John N. Fiacre and others, for the construction of a sewer in South 7th street, from Newark avenue to Prospect street, presented a report thereon recommending that no further proceedings be taken under said application. The report was received and adopted.

The committee on public grounds and buildings to whom were referred July 19, 1859, nine proposals for contract to build a Public School House in the Third Ward, presented a report stating that contracts have been entered into with James McLaughlin to do the carpenter's work, and Keeney & Halliday to do the mason's work, in building said public school house.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The committee on public grounds and buildings presented a report submitting plans and specifications for a House for the use of Hose Co. No. 2, and the following resolution :

Resolved, That the plans and specifications for a house for the use of Phoenix Hose Company No. 2, procured by the committee on public grounds and buildings, and by them submitted to this Common Council at this meeting, be approved and filed in the city clerk's office, and that said committee are hereby instructed to advertise for proposals for a contract to furnish materials and erect such Hose Carriage house, and to report the proposals to this Board.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on public health returned the claim referred to them August 2, 1859, of Peter Waggoner, amounting to $40, for impounding and killing dogs,and the same was laid upon the table.

The following resolutions were presented by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted :

Resolved, That the committee on ferries and wharves be requested to inquire whether any vessels from any port or ports where yellow fever prevails are or have been at any time during the present season discharging their cargo or cargoes upon the wharves of this city, and whether any tug boat or boats having connection with such vessel or vessels are now or have been lying at the wharves of this city for the purpose of obtaining wood and coal, or for any other purpose.

Resolved, That in case the committee on ferries and wharves should find that any such vessels or tug-boats have been or now are at the wharves of this city, that said committee be requested to communicate such information to the Mayor or acting Mayor of the city,that a special meeting of this Board may be called for action thereon.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Tilden :

Resolved—That the committee on streets be, and they are hereby instructed to have Grove street, from Newark avenue to Pavonia avenue, paved with Belgian pavement, without delay. The resolution was rejected.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Tilden :

Resolved—That the City Clerk is hereby instructed to have printed in pamphlet form, for the use of the cartmen of Jersey City, two hundred copies of the ordinance regulating the licenses of carts and cartmen in Jersey City.

On motion of Ald. Hardenbergh the resolution was amended by striking out the words "City Clerk is" and inserting in their place the words "Committee on Finance are" and as amended was adopted.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Hoffman, and adopted :

Resolved—That the Street Commissioner be instructed to report to the Common Council the condition of all of the public sewers, also the streets where the same have been opened to put in sewers, or otherwise, at the next regular meeting of this board.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Hoffman :

Resolved—That this Common Council will not act upon any application for improvements in or on streets, unless such application be signed by a majority of the property-holders on the line of improvements asked for. The resolution was rejected.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Ald. Warner :

Whereas information has come to this Board that the Belgian pavement now being laid down in Montgomery street, between Washington and Warren streets, is not done in accordance with the grade of said street as established by law. Therefore,

Resolved, That a special committee of five be appointed to examine into said matter and ascertain if said pavement is being laid according to the established grade, and in case the work is not being done according to said grade, the said committee of five is hereby authorized and instructed to direct the surveyor and contractor to put down said pavement to conform with the established grade, and notify said surveyor and contractor that any work done by them that shall not conform to said grade will not be paid out of the City Treasury, and said committee report the facts to this Board at its next meeting.

Ald. Thurston moved that the preamble and resolution be laid upon the table.

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald. Hoffman, Tilden and Decker :

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Edge, McLaughlin and Thurston.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Christie, Clarke, Decker, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Earle and Ogden.

Ald. Hardenbergh moved, that the preamble and resolution be amended by striking out all after the words "ESTABLISHED BY LAW," and inserting the following :

Resolved that the Committee on Streets be requested to communicate to this Board the proper facts in the the case.

The amendment was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin and Thurston.

Nays—Ald. Decker, Hoffman, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Earle and Ogden.

The resolution as amended was then adopted.

On motion of Ald. Tilden the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Special meeting at the City Clerk's Office, Thursday, August 18, 1859, at 5 o'clock p.m., called by the President of the common council, acting as Mayor, at the request of Aldermen Warner, Hardenbergh, Hoffman and Brown, for the purpose of considering the matter of grade in Montgomery street, and the report of the committee on ferries and wharves.

In the absence of the President, the Board was called to order by the city clerk.

Present—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Earle, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Ogden, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Decker, Edge, Hankins, McLaughlin and Thurston.

In the absence of the President on motion of Alder-

man Hoffman, Alderman Hardenbergh was appointed president pro tempore.

The call of the meeting was read by the City Clerk and is as follows:

To CORN'S VAN VORST, Esq., Acting Mayor.

Dear Sir,—We request you to call a special meeting of the common council, on Thursday evening, August 18, 1859, for the purpose of considering the matter of grade in Montgomery street, and report of committee on ferries and wharves, at 5 o'clock p.m.

We are sir, respectfully yours

JAMES WARNER,
A. A. HARDENBERGH
S. M. HOFFMAN,
W. R. BROWN,

Jersey City, Aug. 17, 1859.

The city clerk will please issue the usual notices for a special meeting of the common council to be held at the city clerk's office at the time, and for the purpose named in the above requisition.

CORN'S VAN VORST, Acting Mayor.

Jersey City, Aug. 17, 1859.

The committee on ferries and wharves presented a report, accompanied by the following resolution, respecting the landing of cargoes at the wharves of Jersey City from vessels arrived from ports where the yellow fever prevails.

Resolved, That the attention of the Superintendent of Ferries, Wharves and Piers is hereby particularly called to the earnest necessity of rigidly enforcing all the provisions of the ordinance, approved July 2, 1853, entitled "An ordinance to protect the health of the city of Jersey City" against all parties who shall in any way violate any of the provisions of the said ordinance.

The report was received and the resolution unanimously adopted.

On motion of Ald. Tilden it was

Resolved, That the report and resolution of the committee on ferries and wharves, in reference to the yellow fever vessels be published in both of the Jersey City papers.

Ald. Tilden offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the contractor be requested to discontinue any further paving of Montgomery street, between Washington and Warren streets, until after the next meeting of the Common Council.

Ald. Hoffman moved to amend the resolution by adding the following words, "provided that in case the contractor refuses to comply with this request, then, in that case, the committee on streets are hereby instructed to lay the said pavement according to the grade now established by law."

The motion to amend was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald. Tilden, Hoffman and Christie:

Yeas—Aldermen Christie, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—Alderman Brown, Clarke, Earle and Ogden.

Absent—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Decker, Edge, Hankins, McLaughlin and Thurston.

The resolution as amended was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald. Tilden, Hoffman and Christie.

Yeas—Ald. Christie, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—Ald. Brown, Clarke, Earle and Ogden.

Absent—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Decker, Edge, Hankins, McLaughlin and Thurston.

On motion of Ald. Hoffman it was

Resolved, That a copy of the above resolution be sent forthwith to the Contractor, and to the Committee on Streets.

On motion of Ald. Warner the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Special meeting at the city clerk's office, Wednesday, August 24th, 1859, at 4 o'clock p. m., called at the request of Aldermen Hankins, McBride, Earle and McLaughlin, by Cornelius Van Vorst, Esq., President of the Common Council, and acting as Mayor in the absence of his Honor the Mayor from the city, for the following purposes, viz.:

To consider and pass resolutions providing for payments to the contractors, on their contracts for building a Station House and Bell Tower, and the Public School House in the Third Ward.

To consider the grade of Newark avenue, from Grove street to Henderson street, and to take action in relation thereto.

And to act on ordinances.

Present—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Edge, McBride and Tilden.

The call of the meeting was read.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hankins:

Resolved, That as payments fall due to Hunt & Armstrong, under the contract for building a Station House and Bell Tower, a bond or bonds of the city be issued to them on the requisition of the committee on finance, by the Mayor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, for the amount of each payment as it falls due, and on the filing in the city clerk's office by the committee on public grounds and buildings of a certificate of the superintendent that the necessary materials have been furnished, and the work has been done, to entitle said contractors to such payments.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Edge, McBride and Tilden.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hankins:

Resolved, That as payments fall due to Keeney and Halliday and James McLaughlin, under their contracts for building a Public School House in the Third Ward, bonds of the city or warrants on the treasurer be issued or drawn, in accordance with said contracts, on the requisition of the committee on finance, by the Mayor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, in the case of the bonds, for the amount of each payment as it falls due, and on the filing in the city clerk's office by the committee on public grounds and buildings of a certificate of the superintendent that the necessary materials have been furnished and the work has been done to entitle said contractors to such payments.

The resolution was amended on motion of Ald. Hardenbergh, so as to read as follows:

Resolved, That as payments fall due to Keeney and Halliday and James McLaughlin, under their contracts for building a Public School House in the Third Ward, bonds of the city be issued, in accordance with said contracts on the requisition of the committee on finance by the Mayor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, for the amount of each payment as it falls due and on the filing in the city clerk's office by the committee on public grounds and buildings of a certificate of the superintendent that the necessary materials have been furnished and the work has been done, to entitle said contractors to such payments.

The resolution, as amended, was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Ald. Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Edge, McBride and Tilden.

On motion of Ald. Hardenbergh it was

Resolved, That a warrant for one thousand dollars be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of Keeney & Halliday, for the first payment due to them on their contract for building a Public School House in the Third Ward.

A remonstrance of Henry Liftchild and others "against altering or interfering with the present established grade on Newark avenue, between Warren and Grove streets," was presented, received and laid upon the table.

On motion of Ald. Hardenbergh it was

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns, it will adjourn to meet at this place at, 7½ o'clock, this evening, and that the city clerk be instructed to notify the absent members of the Common Council of such meeting.

On motion of Ald. Warner, the Board then (half-past 5 o'clock p.m.) adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned special meeting of the Common Council of Jersey City, at the city clerk's office, Wednesday, Aug. 24th, 1859, at 7½ o'clock p.m.

Present—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Brown, Edge, Hankins, McBride and McLaughlin.

On motion of Ald. Thurston the following entitled ordinance, presented on the 2d instant, was taken up for consideration, viz.:

"An ordinance to provide for the flagging, to the full width, the sidewalk on the east side of Grove street, from the northerly side of Mercer street to the southerly side of Bay street, and for laying crosswalks on said street, at the intersection with the Railroad avenue on the east side."

The ordinance was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Ald. Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Brown, Edge, Hankins, McBride and McLaughlin.

On motion of Ald. Thurston the following entitled ordinance, presented July 5th, 1859, was taken up for consideration, viz.:

"An ordinance to provide for filling into the established grade, curbing, guttering and flagging the sidewalks four feet wide, and laying bridge stone crosswalks in Provost street, between South 2d street and Pavonia avenue, including intersections."

The ordinance was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Ald. Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Brown, Edge, Hankins, McBride and McLaughlin.

On motion of Ald. Hardenbergh the following entitled ordinance, presented July 19th, 1859, were taken up for consideration, viz.:

"An ordinance to establish the street grade or curb on a part of Newark avenue."

On motion of Ald. Hardenbergh the Second Section was amended by striking out the name of D. E. Culver, and on motion of Ald. Hoffman the name Henry M. Traphagen was inserted in the place of D. E. Culver, stricken out.

On motion of Ald. Hardenbergh the ordinance was then laid upon the table again.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Thurston and adopted:

Resolved, That the street committee be instructed to commence the Belgian pavement at Grove street, and run an even grade to meet the Railroad track, and thence from the Railroad track to the established grade at Henderson street; provided that the consent, in writing, of a majority of the owners of lots on both sides of said proposed pavement shall first have been obtained and filed in the office of the city clerk.

On motion of Alderman Thurston the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Special meeting at the city clerk's office, Monday, August 29th, 1859, at 3 o'clock p. m., called by his Honor the Mayor, at the request of Aldermen Thurston, Hoffman and Warner, for the purpose of passing a resolution in relation to the boundaries of Newark avenue and of passing ordinances.

Present—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Clarke, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Aldermen Christie, Decker, Earle, Edge and Ogden.

The call for the meeting was read.

The city clerk presented a notice served upon him this day, signed "Lorin Brooks," requiring "the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City, their officers and agents,' to desist from raising the grade of Newark avenue beyond the grade heretofore in existence in Jersey City.

The notice was received and referred to the committee on streets.

Ald. Thurston offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the matter in controversy between the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City and the Van Vorst Estate and others, in relation to the ownership of property lying east of Grove street and south of Newark avenue, and north of Railroad avenue, be referred to arbitrators for their decision as to the amount of damages; one of the said arbitrators to be selected by the said Common Council, one by the Van Vorst Estate, and a third to be selected by the two arbitrators hereinbefore provided for. And that the committee on streets are hereby instructed to proceed with the improvement now in progress on Newark avenue, and take such portions of the said property as are necessary to make said street its full width, and remove all obstructions.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald. Thurston:

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Clarke, McBride, Thurston and Warner.

Nays—Ald. Hankins, Hoffman and Tilden.

Absent—Ald. Christie, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hardenbergh, McLaughlin and Ogden.

The President declined voting, being interested in the matter.

On motion of Ald. Thurston the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Special meeting at the city clerk's office, Thursday, September 1st, 1859, at 8 o'clock p. m., called by his Honor the Mayor, for the purpose of taking further counsel, advisatory and otherwise, for paving Newark avenue.

Present—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Hankins, Hoffman, McLaughlin, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Decker, Earle, Edge, Hardenbergh, McBride and Ogden.

The call for the meeting was read.

An invitation to the Mayor and Common Council to attend on the 5th instant, a pic nic, to be held by the Jersey City German-American School Association, was presented, received, accepted, and ordered to be published in the minutes, on motion of Ald. Brown:

The invitation being as follows:

Jersey City, August 30th, 1859.

To the Honorable the Mayor and Board of Common Council of Jersey City.

The honor of the presence of your Honorable Board at a grand pic-nic, to be held by the Jersey City German American School Association, on the 5th day of Sept., at Montgomery's Wood, in the immediate neighborhood of Washington Village, is most respectfully solicited. The Board of Trustees of the said Association, aware of the high interest your honorable body has ever evinced for the progress of practical education, is certain that you will not to its efforts deny that moral support which your presence, at the time and place above-mentioned, would most assuredly prove.

By order of the Board of Trustees.

CHAS. T. SCHIRMER, Secretary.

Ald. Thurston offered the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the property at the angle of Railroad avenue, and Newark ave. in block No. 18 on the Van Vorst map, belonging to the estate of C. Van Vorst, be purchased by the committee on streets, for the use of the city, provided the consideration does not exceed the sum of thirty-six hundred dollars, which shall be in full of purchase money, assessments thereon, for curbing Newark ave, and for the part of said property ordered to be paved upon, and to be included in Newark ave, and provided further that the present owner, causes Railroad avenue, adjoining the said property, to be opened to the width of thirty feet on the north side of the railroad.

Resolved, That a further purchase be made of the Casey lot, west of and adjoining thereto, the consideration not to exceed fourteen hundred dollars, which shall include purchase money, assessments, and land to be ceded therefrom to the Newark avenue, as above provided, and provided further, that Railroad avenue, adjoining the same on the south side, be opened, as above.

Resolved, That as soon as the above purchase be completed, the committee on streets be instructed to sell at public auction the building located on the property contained therein, except the carpenter's shop and paint shop, and cause the buildings, with the above exceptions, to be removed therefrom at the earliest practicable moment.

The resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald. Thurston:

Yeas—Ald. Clarke, Hankins, McLaughlin, Thurston, and Warner.

Nays—Ald. Brown, Christie, Hoffman and Tilden.

Absent—Ald. Decker, Earle, Edge, Hardenbergh, McBride and Ogden.

The President declined voting, being personally interested in the matter.

Ald. Thurston, from the committee on streets, presented contracts executed by Adrian B. Reynolds, to furnish and fill in earth and gravel, bridge, flag, curb, gutter, and otherwise regulate Newark avenue. And on motion of Ald. Thurston it was

Resolved, That the said contracts be approved, presented to his Honor the Mayor for his signature, and be signed by the city clerk, and that the city seal be attached thereto, and that when executed by said officers one of said contracts be filed in the comptroller's office and the other delivered to the contractor.

On motion of Ald. Tilden the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday, September 6th, 1859, at 7¼ o'clock p. m.

Present—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Alderman Edge.

The minutes of the regular meeting of August 16th, 1859, of the special meetings of August 18th, 1859, August 24th, 1859, at 4 o'clock p. m., and adjourned special meeting of August 24th, 1859, at half-past 7 o'clock p.m., the special meetings of August 29th, 1859, and September 1st, 1859, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Petition of C F Durant to have the intersections of Warren and York street, of York and Gregory streets, Warren street, from Montgomery to York streets, and Gregory street, from York to Henderson streets, raised to the established grade. Referred to com. on streets.

Petition of C E Winants and others for a repeal of the ordinance for paving Morgan street, with a view to the introduction of an ordinance to lay Belgian pavement in said street, &c. Referred to com on streets.

Remonstrance of Charles Musk and others against the raising of the grade on Warren street any higher than the established grade, &c. Referred to com on streets.

Remonstrance of John Davenport and others against the alteration of grade in the vicinity of Montgomery and Warren streets and Newark avenue, &c. Referred to committee on streets.

Petition of Joseph McCoy and others for the construction of a main brick sewer from the terminus of the brick sewer, corner of Montgomery and Grove streets, to connect with the brick sewer corner of Grand and Grove streets, with the necessary culverts, &c. Referred to committee on sewers.

Petition of J B Vroom for an adjustment of an assessment upon property of David Scott, sold at the assessment sale of July 29th, 1857. Referred to committee on finance.

Petition of J. C. Brautigam and others, for the privilege of purchasing of the city the rear of the Public School House lots, in the third ward. Referred to committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Memorial of Thomas Bolton, of 54 Warren st., in reference to the action of the Chief of Police and other members of the Police department, towards him; &c. Referred to Committee on Police.

Petition of Charles Loman to be appointed a policeman. Referred to Committee on Police.

Petition of Hugh Reilly and others, in favor of granting a license to John Brogan to keep a junk shop, at No. 14 Brunswick street.

Referred to committee on licenses, and subsequently the said committee reported the following resolution:

Resolved—That a license to keep a junk shop at No. 14 Brunswick st., be granted to John Brogan, on his paying the usual license fees, in such cases made and provided.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Thurston.

Absent—Ald. Earle, Edge and Ogden.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz.:

Of A. M. C. Smith, $175 75; Stephen Jaquins, $58; R. A. Randall, $7 88; Japhat Jardine, $7 25, $4 10 and $1 79. Referred to committee on Fire and Water.

Of Drayton & Durant, $69 02; Hugh Reilly, $16 57; R. A. Randall, $9 14; Edward Hope, Jr., $7, and Japhat Jardine, $4 51. Referred to committee on alms.

Of A. B. Reynolds, $4338 37; Metz & Brother, $17 82 Martin Bly, $13 13; Laurence Owens, $4 06, and John McCarty, $3 25. Referred to committee on streets.

Of Wm. B. Dunning, $13; J. F. Richardson, $12, and Valentine Puster, $5 74. Referred to committee on police.

Of J. Gallagan, $34 56; P. D. Van Syckel & Co., $21 18, and W. S. Morton, $9 25. Referred to committee on public grounds and buildings.

Of Metz & Brother, $52 25, and Wm. B. Dunning, $17. Referred to Committee on finance.

Of I. W. Scudder, $50. Referred to committee on laws and ordinances.

Of Wm. Coleman, $9 81. Referred to committee on sewers.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct, and ordered paid, viz:

Of A Love $1,837; Police Department $1,319 46; John Coar $595; William Coleman $267 93; Matthew Erwin $100 29; J F Richardson $88; Nathaniel Ellis $27 28; Hugh Billingsley $18; Mrs Ann Eaton $17 50 and $17; John Coar $11 25 and $6 75.

The following claims and accounts, presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board, were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of James F Fielder $275; James McLaughlin $52 80; J B and D E Culver $30; W H Horton $29; James McLaughlin $26 48; Stephen Quaife $25; Frederick Porrett $15, and Hugh Reilly $14 99

A claim of Drayton&Durant, amounting to $81 13, for bread for alms-house, referred to the committee on alms August 2d, 1859, was reported correct by said committee for $81 31, and that amount ordered paid.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of the application, on the 19th April, 1859, of Michael Mullone for the construction of a sewer in Greene street, from Montgomery street, to connect with the Wayne street sewer, and the same was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of application on the 14th June, 1859, of D. S. Manners and others, for the construction of a sewer in Newark avenue, from the intersection of Henderson street to the Hudson river, &c., and the same was received and ordered filed.

The city treasurer's report, showing balance in treasury, August 31st, 1859, of $6,859 02, was presented, received and ordered filed.

A communication was presented from acting-Mayor Van Vorst enclosing summons against the city served upon him at the suit of Terence Beirne. The communication was received and the summons referred to the corporation attorney with instructions to defend the suit.

The committee on finance, to whom was referred the matter of coupon bonds, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the common council do approve of the form and style of coupon bonds, bearing interest severally at the rates of six and seven per cent per annum, executed under the direction of the committee on finance.

Resolved, That all coupon bonds shall be signed by the Mayor, city clerk, and countersigned by the city comptroller, and the coupons shall be signed by the treasurer of the city.

Resolved, That no exchange of city bonds of the old form be made with any party or parties holding said bonds for the new coupon bonds without in each case a special resolution of the common council authorizing said exchange.

Resolved, That a warrant for two hundred and seventy four dollars and fifty cents be drawn in favor of Latimer Brothers and Seymour, of New York, for amount of their claim for engraving and binding coupon bonds for the use of corporation of Jersey City, provided that the said Latimer Brothers and Seymour shall first file in the office of the city clerk a written agreement to deliver at the clerk's office upon request of the committee on finance the stone having thereon the engraving for the bonds, and a further agreement that the corporation is the rightful owner thereto.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh, Tilden and Warner.

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earl, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—none. Absent—Ald. Edge and Hankins.

The committee on streets presented a report in reference to the contract for sweeping and cleaning the streets of Jersey City, accompanied by three sealed proposals and the following resolution:

Resolved that the three sealed proposals which have been received by the committee on streets, in answer to their advertisement for proposals for a contract to sweep and clean, for one year, the paved streets and avenues in Jersey City, and which have been reported to the Common Council at this meeting by said committee be opened and read.

The report was received, and the resolution adopted. The proposals were opened, read, and found to be from Alexander Love, James Barton and John Coar.

The proposals being accompanied by bonds for the fulfilment of the contract if awarded. The proposals and bonds were referred to the committee on streets.

The Committee on streets presented a report in reference to the contract to improve Morgan street, from Prospect street to Greene street, accompanied by two sealed proposals and the following resolution:

Resolved—That the two sealed proposals which have been received by the committee on streets, in answer to their advertisement for proposals for a contract to fill

in to the established grade, pave, curb, gutter, flag the sidewalks four feet wide, in Morgan st., from Prospect to Green streets, including all intersections, and which have been reported to the Common Council at this meeting, by said committees, be opened and read.

The report was received and the proposals were opened, read, and found to be from F. J. Mallory, and James F. Fielder; the proposals being accompanied by bonds for the fulfilment of contract if awarded. The resolution, proposals and bonds were laid upon the table.

The committee on streets presented a report in reference to the contract to improve Coles st, between South Fourth st. and the southerly side of South Second st., accompanied by two sealed proposals and the following resolution :

Resolved—That the two sealed proposals which have been received by the Committee on Streets, in answer to their advertisement for proposals for a contract to fill in to the established grade, curb, gutter, pave and lay bridge stone cross-walks at all intersections in Coles street, between south Fourth st. and the southerly side of South Second st., and which have been reported to the Common Council at this meeting by said committee, be opened and read.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The proposals were opened, read, and found to be from James F. Fielder and F. J. Mallory, said proposals being accompanied by bonds for the fulfilment of the contract if awarded. The following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Ald. Thurston, and adopted :

Resolved—That the two proposals of James F. Fielder and F J Mallory, received and read at this meeting of the Common Council, for the contract to regulate, &c, Coles street, from the south side of South Second st to the south side of South Fourth st, together with the bonds which accompanied the same, be referred to the committee on sts, with authority to enter into a contract with the lower of said bidders, if the said committee deem it to the interest of the city to do so; and the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and requested to execute under the corporate seal of the city, on the requisition of the committee on Streets, such contract when awarded by said committee, which shall have been prepared by the Corporation Attorney, and executed by the party who shall have obtained the abovementioned contract.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred at this meeting, the claim of A. B. Reynolds, amounting to $4388 37, for laying Belgian pavement, and relaying cross-walks, reported the said claim correct, and the following resolutoin was offered by Ald Thurston :

Resolved—That upon the requisition of the Committee on Finance, the Mayor and City Clerk be requested to issue, under the corporate seal of the city, a coupon bond or bonds of the city, in favor of Adrian B Reynolds for $4203 15, in part payment of his claim for laying Belgian pavement in Newark avenue, and that a warrant be ordered drawn for $185 22, the balance of the claim of A B Reynolds.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Pres Van Vorst and Alderman Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Nays—Ald Christie and Tilden. Absent—Ald Edgs and Hankins.

The committee on sewers to whom was referred August 2d, 1859, the petition of Michael Mullone for the construction of a sewer in Greene street, from Montgomery street, to connect with the Wayne street sewer, presented a report adverse to granting the prayer of the petitioner, and recommending the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That permission is hereby granted to Michael Mullone to build a private drain from his lots on the south-west corner of Greene and Mercer streets, to connect with the sewer in Mercer street, provided that the same be built at his expense, but under the direction of the board of water commissioners.

The report was received and the report and resolution were adopted.

The committee on sewers to whom was referred August 2d, 1859, the petition of D S Manners and others for the construction of a sewer from the intersection of Henderson street and Newark avenue to the Hudson river, presented a report adverse to the construction of said sewer under said application. The report was received and adopted.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred August 16, 1859, the petition of Henry Forbes for a license to peddle fish, fruit and vegetables, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables, be issued by the Mayor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to Henry Forbes, on his paying the license be required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred August 2d, 1859, the petition of W L Broking for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No 229 Newark avenue, presented a favorable report, accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license be granted to William L. Broking to keep an inn and tavern at No 229 Newark avenue, in the 3d ward of Jersey City.

The report was received.

The President decided the resolution out of order for the reason that a previous resolution of the same character had been rejected by the common council : from which decision Ald McBride appealed.

The decision of the chair was sustained by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald Hardenbergh, Christie and Thurston :

Yeas—Aldermen Christie, Decker, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McLaughlin, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—Ald Brown, Clarke and McBride.

Absent—Ald Earle, Edgar and Ogden.

The following entitled ordinance was presented by Ald Hardenbergh and laid upon the table, viz :

"An ordinance concerning coupon bonds."

The following preample and resolution were offered by Ald Hardenbergh and adopted :

Whereas it has been shown to the committee on finance that an error exists in the tax bill of Mrs Mary A Wilmaith, of Jersey City, in certain charges for tax sale when said property was redeemed previous to tax sale, and whereas the committee on finance have obtained from the city attorney his opinion that such charge was illegal and void. Therefore,

Resolved, That a warrant for eight dollars and eighty cents be drawn in favor of Mrs Mary Ann Wilmaith for erroneous charge in tax bill for taxes of 1857.

The following resoulution was offered by Ald Hardenbergh and adopted :

Resolved, That the committee on streets be requested to report to this Board whether the dirt filling on Newark avenue, near Montgomery street, is, as has been represented, of a character detrimental to public health.

The following resolution was offerad by Ald Clarke and adopted :

Resolved, That the committee on lamps be and are hereby authorized to have erected five iron lamp-posts at the following places :

1 on the cor of Erie and North 1st sts.
1 " Erie and North 2d sts.
1 on the cor of Fourth st tet Grove and Prospect st.
1 on Fourth and Prospect sts.
1 on the cor of Third and Prospect sts.

The following resolution was offered by Ald Clarke and adopted :

Resolved, That the committee on lamps be and are hereby authorized to have all the city iron lamp posts painted, at an expense not to exceed fifty dollars.

The following resolution was offered by Ald Hankins and adopted :

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer for seventy five dollars, being first payment, as per contract, for superintending the erection of school house in the 3d ward.

The following resolution was offered by Ald Hankins and adopted :

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer for one hundred dollars in favor of Stephen Quaife being first payment, as per contract, for superintending the erection of Station-house in 2d ward.

The following resolution was offered by Ald Brown and adopted :

Resolved, That the several bills of Peter Wagginer for killing dogs be taken from the table and ordered paid.

The following entitled ordinance was presented by Ald Hardenbergh, laid upon the table, and ordered to be printed on slips for the use of the Board, viz :

"An ordinance to provide for the laying of iron rail tracks through certain streets of Jersey City by the Jersey City and Hoboken Horse Railroad Company."

The following entitled ordinance was presented by Ald Hardenbergh, laid upon the table, and ordered to be printed on slips for the use of the Board, viz :

"An ordinance to define the compensation of the Corporation Printer of Jersey City."

On motion of Ald Brown the report of the committee on police recommending the dismissal of Wm N Strong from the Police Department, was taken up for consideration.

Ald Clarke moved—

"That policeman strong be restored to duty."

The resolution was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald Hardenbergh, Tilden and Brown :

Yeas—Ald Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, McBride, Ogden and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Ald Christie, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McLaughlin, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Ald Edge and Hankins.

On motion of Ald Hoffman the report was again laid on the table.

On motion of Ald Thurston the following entitled ordinance, presented August 2d, 1859, was taken up for consideration, viz. :

"An ordinance to provide for filling in to the established grade, curbing and guttering Brunswick street, between South 8th street and Newark avenue."

On motion of Ald Thurston the ordinance was amended in its title by striking out the words "South Eighth street," and inserting in their place the words "the northerly side of Railroad avenue," and the first section was also amended by, striking out the words "South Eighth street," and inserting in their place the words "the northerly side of Railroad avenue."

The ordinance as amended was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Pres Van Vorst and Ald Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald Edge and Hankins.

On motion of Ald Hardenbergh the following entitled ordinance, presented August 2d, 1859, and laid upon the table, was taken up for consideration, viz :

"An ordinance to provide for the delivery of receipts to purchasers at sales by the city for unpaid taxes, assessments and water rents."

The ordinance was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Ald Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald Edge and Hankins.

The following resolution was offered by Ald Warner and adopted :

Resolved, That the committee on streets be and are hereby authorized to raise to the established grade of Newark avenue and Gregory street, Washington alley, and cause the same to be paved with Belgian pavement provided the consent of the property holders along the line of said improvement can be obtained.

The following resolution was offered by Ald Tilden and adopted :

Resolved, That the committee on streets be instructed and ordered to remove the dirt on Newark avenue, taken from C F Durant's cellars.

The following resolution was offered by Ald Earle and rejected :

Resolved, That the street committee be requested to proceed to lay down the Belgian pavement in Newark avenue, between Henderson street and Warren street, and also in Hudson street, between York and Greene streets.

The following resolution was offered by Ald Earle and adopted :

Resolved, That the committee on police be requested to report at next meeting of the Board upon the cases of policemen Fallon and Strong, referred to them some time since.

On motion of Ald Tilden the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, Sept. 20, 1859, at half-past 7 o'clock, p.m. In the absence of the City Clerk, Ald. Tilden was appointed City Clerk pro tempore.

Present—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Clarke, Decker, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, Ogden, Thurstou, Tilden and Warner.

Ald. Earle and Hoffman were absent at the calling of the roll, but subsequently appeared and took their seats.

Absent—Ald. Brown, Christie and McLaughlin.

The minutes of the regular meeting of Sept. 6, 1859, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows, viz :

Petition of John Cowen, agent of S. W. Smith, for privilege of redeeming a lot belonging to said Smith, sold Sept. 10, 1857, to the City Treasurer, the time of redemption having expired. Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petition of Cornelius Conover, Administrator of estate of R. Conover, to have refunded erroneous charge in tax bill for taxes of 1858, and a communication from John B. Haight, Collector of taxes for 1858, setting forth that said error does exist, &c. Referred to committee on Finance.

Petition of Robert Madigan and others, to have Mrs. John O'Neil, residing in Canal street, placed in the New York Hospital for surgical treatment, etc. Referred to committee on alms.

Petition of John McGuigan and others, for the opening or extending of Montgomery st. from its present terminus at Warren street to connect with Montgomery street at the intersection with Van Vorst street, etc. Referred to committee on streets.

Petition of Andrew Clerk and E. B. Wakeman, in behalf of the Bergen and Jersey City Horse Railroad Co. for permission to lay iron rail tracks through certain streets and avenues of Jersey City.

Referred to committee on streets, and on motion of Ald. Hardenbergh it was

Resolved—That said petition be printed on slips for the use of the Board.

Petition of Edward Hope and others, to have Henderson st, between Newark ave. and Wayne st, raised to the established grade. Referred to the committee on streets.

Communication from Morris & Co. and others, asking that a readvertisement be made in Corporation paper of notice calling for proposals for improving Morgan st, etc. Referred to Committee on streets.

Petition of John Manning for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables.

Referred to committee on licenses.

Petition of Erastus Jones setting forth that there is due to him in principal and interest the sum of $18 25 from John D. Thompson, policeman, and asking that said sum may be restrained from said Thompson's salary and refunded to said petitioner.

On motion of Ald. Edge the petition was laid upon the table.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Of Josh a J. Hill $172 17 ; Hugh McComb, assigned to Charles N. Betts $157 28 ; Wm. Amess $73 14 ; R. B. Earle & Co. $19 13 and $6.

Referred to committee on public grounds and buildings.

Of Stephen Jaquins $27 75 ; P. H. Nugent $11 50 ; R. B. Earle & Co. $3 60, and W. R. & J. B. Drayton $2 19.

Referred to committee on fire and water.

Of Keeney & Halladay $253, and Metz & Brother $9 45. Referred to committee on streets.

Of P. H. Nugent $12 58. Referred to committee on police.

Of R. B. Earle & Co. $5 50. Referred to committee on alms.

The committee on alms returned the claim referred to them, August 2d, 1859, of Edward Hope, Jr., amounting to $1, and the said claim was referred to the committee on police.

Ald. Clarke being the only member of the committee on lamps present, by his request the President added Ald. Decker and Earle to said committee, for the evening.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Co. $159 ; A. B. Reynolds $47 77 ; James B. Hills $42 11 and $13 23, and Wm. Whitley $14 01.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board, were reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of Ward & McGown $70 63 ; Drayton & Durant $69 02 ; W. B. Telfer $61 00 ; Metz & Brother $52 25 ; J. Gahagan $34 56 ; Wm. B. Dunning $26 10 ; P. D. Van Syckel & Co. $21 15 ; Wm. B. Dunning $20 25, $13 and $7 75 ; Hugh Reilly $16 57 ; Amess & Stephenson $16 05 ; J. F. Richardson $12 ; Wm. Coleman $9 81 ; R. A. Randall $9 14 ; Stephen Quaife $9 ; Edward Hope, Jr., $7 ; Valentine Puster $5 74.

The committee on public grounds and buildings, to whom was referred, September 6th, the claim of W. S. Morton, amounting to $9 25, for repairing chairs, &c., reported said claim correct for $7 25, and that amount was ordered paid.

The committee on finance to whom was referred September 6th, 1859, the claim of Wm. B. Dunning amounting to $17, for printing and advertising, reported said claim correct for $9 15, and that amount was ordered paid.

A report by the City Clerk of names of parties appointed to office, and who have failed to qualify, was presented, received, and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "Application to have the sidewalks, on both sides of Gregory st, from Warren st. to Henderson st, and in Wayne st, from Henderson st to Grove st, filled in to the established grade, and flagged as laid not less than six feet in width," and the same was received and ordered filed.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, enclosing returns of the following elections and resignation in said department, confirmed by the Commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department.

Elections of John McCutcheon by Engine Co. No. 1 ; Hamp on A. Coursen and Joseph W. Strobeer, by Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1.

Resignations of Frank M. Johnston and Frank S. Low, from Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1.

The communications were received, and the action of the Commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department was approved and confirmed.

The following requisition from the Board of Education was presented, received, and referred to the committee on schools.

To the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City :

At a meeting of the Board of Education, held at the City Clerk's office, on Monday evening the 19th instant. It was resolved unanimously, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken, That requisition be made upon the Common Council for the payment of the following claims :

Robert Donohue, for wood				$3 00
Wm. Amess, for repairs				3 49
Randall & Morrell, for coal				345 60
Wm. C. Whyte, repairing School	No. 1,	$164 46		
Do.	"	" 2,	103 17	
				269 63
Dd. Easton,	"	No. 1,	30 47	
Do.	"	2,	24 81	
				55 28
P. H. Nugent	"	No. 1,	10 20	
Do.	"	2,	3 61	
				13 81
Earle & Co.				39 14
Sheldon, Blakeman & Co., Books, &c.				183 53
H. A. Greene,				241 12
Total				$1,153 40

P. D. VROOM,
Clk. of Board of Education.

Jersey City, Sep. 20, 1859.

Subsequently the following resolution in relation thereto was presented by Ald Warner from the committee on schools and adopted :

Resolved, That warrants be drawn upon the city treasury, in accordance with the requisitions of the Board of Education.

The committee on alms presented a report setting forth that said committee had sold surplus flour at alms house to good advantage, they deeming it advisable, and recommending the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That upon the deposit in the city treasury by the committee on alms of the sum of one hundred and sixty-one dollars and fifty four cents, amount received by said committee for thirty-one barrels of flour, sold from alms house : the city treasurer is hereby requested to notify the comptroller of such deposit, and the comptroller is hereby authorized and requested to place said sum to the credit of the committee on alms.

The committee on streets presented a report submitted two sealed proposals received by said committee in answer to their advertisement, for proposals for a contract to improve by flagging the sidewalk on the east side of Grove street, from the northerly side of Mercer street to the southerly side of Bay street, and laying crosswalks at the intersection with Railroad avenue on

the east side, and recommending that the said proposals be opened and read.

The report was received.

The proposals were opened, read, and found to be from Keeney & Halliday and F J Mallory.

The proposals being accompanied by bonds for the faithful fulfilment of contract, if awarded.

The following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Ald Thurston :

Resolved, That the two proposals received and read at this meeting of the Common Council for the contract to improve by flagging the sidewalk on the east side of Grove street, from the northerly side of Mercer street to the southerly side of Bay street, and laying crosswalks at the intersection with Railroad avenue on the east side, together with the bonds which accompanied the same, be referred to the committee on streets, with authority to enter into a contract with the lowest bidder, if the said committee deem it to the interests of the city to do so ; and the Mayor and city clerk are hereby authorized and requested to execute, under the corporate seal of the city, on the requisition of the committee on streets, such contract when awarded by said committee which shall have been prepared by the corporation attorney, executed by the party who shall have obtained the above mentioned contract.

The resolution was adopted.

The committee on streets presented a report submitting four sealed proposals received by said committee in answer to their advertisement for proposals for a contract to regulate Provost street, between South 2d street and Pavonia avenue, including intersections, and recommending that said proposals be opened and read.

The report was received.

The first proposal on being opened was found to contain no signature, but accompanied by a bond signed by Patrick Riley and sureties.

Ald. Thurston moved that the proposal be returned to the party who signed the bond. The motion was rejected.

Ald. Hardenbergh moved, that Mr. Riley, if present, be requested to sign the proposal. The motion was adopted.

The proposal being signed, the other proposals were opened, read, and found to be from Keeney & Halladay, Patrick McPharlan, and F. J. Mallory.

The proposals being accompanied by bonds for the fulfilment of contract if awarded.

The following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Ald. Thurston :

Resolved—That the four proposals received and read at this meeting of the Common Council, for the contract to regulate, &c., Provost street, between South Second street and Pavonia avenue, including intersections, together with the bonds which accompanied the same, be referred to the committee on streets, with authority to enter into a contract with the lowest bidder, if the said committee deem it to the interests of the city to do so ; and the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and requested to execute under the corporate seal of the city, on the requisition of the committee on streets, such contract when awarded by said committee which shall have been prepared by the Corporation Attorney, and executed by the party who shall have obtained the abovementioned contract. The resolution was adopted.

The committee on streets presented a report in reference to the proposals referred to them for contract to sweep and clean the streets and avenues in Jersey City for one year, setting forth that the proposal of John Bartel, the lowest bidder, was not accompanied by the usual bond required, and that Alexander Love is the lowest bidder who has furnished suitable bonds, and recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved—That the committee on streets be authorized to contract with Alexander Love for sweeping and cleaning the streets, in accordance with his proposal, and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the contract on the part of the city.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on sewers, to whom was referred September 6th, 1859, the petition of Joseph McCoy and others, for a main brick sewar from the terminus of the brick sewer corner of Montgomery and Grove sts., to connect with the brick sewer corner of Grand and Grove streets, with all the necessary culverts, &c., presented a report recommending that the petition be referred to the Board of Water Commissioners, with instructions to furnish the estimate and description required under the sewer ordinance. The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The committee on public grounds and buildings presented a report in reference to the School House in the third ward, accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved—That a warrant for fifteen hundred dollars be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Keeney & Halladay, for the second payment due to them on their contract for building a public School House in the third ward. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on public grounds and buildings presented a report in reference to the school house in the 3d ward accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a warrant for eight hundred dollars be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of James McLaughlin, for the first payment due to him on his contract for carpenter's work required in the erection of a public school house in the 3d ward.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

Ald Edge, from the committee on police, verbally reported that charges against policeman Fallon by Chief of Police were coreect, but offering no recommendation thereon.

The following resolutions were offered by Alderman Hardenbergh :

Resolved, That the committee on finance be instructed to borrow for the use of the city, in anticipation of the taxes of 1859, for the purpose of meeting the current demands upon the treasury, the sum of ten thousand dollars, and to issue a bond or bonds therefor, said bond or bonds to be dated September 22d, 1859, and to be drawn payable on December 23d, 1859, with interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum.

Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor be requested and the city clerk be instructed to sign the same upon the requisition of the committee on finance.

The resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Mankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Brown, Christie and McLaughlin.

The following preamble and resolutions were offered by Ald Hardenbergh :

Whereas city bond, No. 167, issued to Wm. G. Murray, of Jersey City, for a loan of the city for the sum of ten thousand dollars, became due Aug. 1st, 1859, and whereas the holder of said bond, W. G. Murray, requests the same to be renewed for a further term of years.

Resolved—That upon the payment of said bond by the Treasurer, that ten new coupon bonds shall be issued to W. G. Murray, in the sum of one thousand dollars each, with coupons attached, bearing interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum, said bonds to be dated August 1st, 1859, and to be drawn payable in five years from date.

Resolved—That before the said requisition by the committee on finance shall be issued, they shall first obtain from the City Treasurer a written certificate that bond No. 107 has been paid, which certificate shall be filed with their requisition in the office of the City Clerk.

Resolved—That his Honor the Mayor be requested, and the City Clerk be instructed to sign, and the Comptroller to countersign said bonds, and the City Treasurer to sign the coupons attached thereto.

The preamble and resolution were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Ald. Clarke, Decker, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Earle.

Absent—Ald. Brown, Christie, Edge and McLaughlin.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh, and adopted :

Resolved—That a warrant for one dollar and sixty cents be drawn in favor of Mrs. Mary Ann Wilmarth, for costs of sale on lots 21 and 22, block 75, said lots not having been sold.

Ald. Hoffman moved, that the vote be reconsidered, by which at the last meeeting, the 7th inst. the bill of Alexander Love, for removing cobble stones, amounting to $1,837, was ordered paid. The motion was adopted.

Alderman Hoffman moved, that the claim be referred to a special committee of three to be appointed by the president. The motion was adopted. After some discussion on motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the president appointed Aldermen Hoffman, Hardenbergh and McBride such special committee.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hankins :

Resolved, That as money falls due to Keeney and Halladay and James McLaughlin, on their contract for building public school house in third ward, that when the committee on public grounds and buildings file in

the city clerk's office certificate of the superintendent, that the work is done and material furnished, that the committee on finance shall issue a requisition ordering a warrant for the payment of the claim, and that the Mayor and city clerk be requested to sign the same.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden, Warner.

Nay—Ald. Hoffman.

Absent—Ald. Brown, Christie, Edge and McLaughlin.

On motion of Alderman Thurston the following entitled ordinance presented August 2, 1859, and laid upon the table was taken up for consideration, viz.:

"An ordinance for filling in to the established grade, paving, curbing, and guttering Bright street from Grove to Jersey street, including intersections and for laying side walks on said Bright street from Grove to Jersey street where required."

The ordinance was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Clarke, Decker, Hankins, McBride, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Nays—Aldermen Earle, Hardenbergh, Hoffman and Tilden.

Absent—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Edge and McLaughlin.

Subsequently on motion of Alderman Earle, the vote was reconsidered by which the ordinance was rejected, and on his motion the ordinance was laid upon the table.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Earle :

Resolved, That the City Attorney be directed to give notice to owners of incumbrances on Bright street, to cause the same to be removed within thirty days from this date.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Hankins, McBride, Ogden and Thurston.

Nays—Aldermen Clarke, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Edge, and McLaughlin.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Earle, and adopted.

Resolved, That the Corporation Attorney be instructed to discontinue any further proceedings on hand relative to the width of Bright street.

On motion of Ald. Hardenbergh the following entitled ordinance presented September 6, 1859, and laid upon the table was taken up for consideration, viz. :

"An ordinance concerning Coupon Bonds."

The ordinance was amended and as amended was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Aldermen Clarke, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Decker, and Earle.

Absent—Ald. Brown, Christie, Edge and McLaughlin.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted.

Resolved, That the committee on finance be authorized and instructed to procure a stamp agreeably to the provisions of the ordinance relative to the Coupon Bonds and place the same in the office of the city clerk.

The following resolution was offered by Ald Hardenbergh and adopted :

Resolved, That Tuesday evening, September 27th, be appointed as the time, and the Common Council chamber as the place, for the purpose of hearing all parties interested in the several applications now before the Common Council for the purpose of laying iron rail tracks in certain streets of Jersey City.

Subsequently on motion of Ald Hardenbergh it was

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns it will adjourn to meet again at this Common Council chamber, on Tuesday evening, September 27, 1859, at 7½ o'clock, for the purpose of hearing all parties interested in the applications of the several Horse Railroad Companies, presented to this Common Council for the laying of iron rail tracks through certain streets of Jersey City, and for the general order of business of the Common Council.

On motion of Ald Hardenbergh it was

Resolved, That the city clerk be instructed to publish in the Jersey City papers copies of the above resolution.

On motion of Ald Hardenbergh the votes were reconsidered by which at this meeting were ordered paid the claims of Wm. B. Dunning, amounting to $26 10 and $20 25, for advertising schedules of sales for taxes, assessments, &c., reported correct by committee on finance and on his motion said claims were recommitted to the committee on finance.

On motion of Ald. Thurston the resolution and proposals reported by the committee on streets September 6th, 1859, and laid upon the table, in reference to the contract for the improvement of Morgan street, from Prospect to Greene streets, were taken up for consideration.

The resolution submitting the proposals was adopted and on motion of Ald. Thurston it was

Resolved, That the proposals of James F. Fielder and F. J. Mallory for the contract to improve Morgan St., from Prospect to Greene streets, including the intersections, and which were received and read at a meeting of this Common Council, held September 6th, 1859, together with the bonds which accompanied said proposals, be referred to the committee on streets, with authority to enter into a contract with the lower of said bidders, if the committee deem it to the interest of the city so to do.

On motion of Ald. Hardenbergh the following entitled ordinance, presented Sept. 6, 1859, and laid upon the table, was taken up for consideration, viz :

"An ordinance to define the compensation of the Corporation Printer of Jersey City.

Ald. Earle moved to amend the ordinance by striking out the words "*or any committee thereof*" in first section contained. The motion was rejected.

The second section of the ordinance was amended on motion of Alderman Hardenbergh, by inserting the words "twenty five cents" as compensation per line for advertising notices of sales of lands for taxes, &c.

Alderman Thurston moved to amend the ordinance as amended by striking out the words "twenty-five cents" and inserting the words "fifteen cents."

Ald. Thurston's amendment was rejected.

On motion of Alderman Tilden the ordinance was further amended by striking out the word "line" in section second, and adding the words "parcel of land."

The ordinance as amended was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Clarke, Decker, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, and Tilden.

Nays—Aldermen Earle, Hankins, McBride, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Alderman Brown, Christie, Edge, and McLaughlin.

The following entitled ordinance was presented by Ald. Warner, and laid upon the table, viz. :

"An ordinance to provide for the opening of a street from where Montgomery street now terminates at Warren street to Montgomery street where it intersects Van Vorst and Gregory streets."

On motion of Alderman Earle the Board then adjourned. THOS. E. TILDEN, City Clerk, pro. tem.

Adjourned regular meeting at the Common Council chamber, Tuesday, September 27th, 1859, at 7½ o'clock p.m.

In the absence of the city clerk Alderman Tilden was appointed city clerk pro-tempore.

Present—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Ald. Decker, Earle and McLaughlin were absent on the calling of the roll, but subsequently appeared and took their seats.

Petition of Thomas Gross and others to have the south side of Grand street, from Grove street to Barrow street, including intersections, refilled so as to bring the same to the established grade, and paved, and the sidewalk on the south side of said street refilled and reflagged.

Referred to committee on streets.

Communication from D. E. Culver, city surveyor, certifying that the specifications requiring the payments to be made to A. B. Reynolds, for laying Belgian pavement, were drawn by him in conformity to a resolution passed by the Common Council, and placed in the hands of a clerk of the city attorney by request of Ald Thurston, chairman of the committee on streets.

The communication was received.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Of Richard Bly $75 85, and Jones & Terhune $3 25. Referred to committee on streets.

Of William Dammer $4 65. Referred to committee on alms.

Of Metz & Brother $2 50. Referred to committee on finance.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Nathaniel Ellis $28 52 ; W. J. Hough $24 00, and John Francisco $22.

The following claims and accounts, presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of R. B. Earle & Co. $19 13; Richard Bly $18 12; Martin Bly $13 13; P. H. Nugent $12 53; John Murthy $10 25; Patrick Geary $7 31; R. B. Earle & Co. $6 50 and $6; Japhet Jardine $4 51; Laurence Owens $4 06; Thomas Newham $4; John McCarthy $3 25, and Philo Snow $2.

The committee on finance to whom were recommitted Septmber 20th, 1859, the claims of Wm. B. Dunning, amounting to $26 10 and $20 25, for publishing schedules of sales of lands for taxes, assessments and water rents, reported said claims correct for $26 10 and $16 55, and said amounts were ordered paid.

On motion of Ald. Hankins the vote was rescinded by which, at last meeting, the 20th inst., the claim of W. S. Morton, for repairing chairs, etc., amounting to $9 25 cents, was reported correct by committee on public grounds and buildings, for $7 25, and that amount ordered paid; and on his motion the claim was recommitted to said committee, who subsequently reported said claim correct for full amount $9 25, which was ordered paid.

Communication from Philo. Snow, Street Commissioner, setting forth that in compliance with resolution passed August 16, 1859, instructing him to report the condition of sewers, etc., he did present such report to the Chairman of the committee on streets, at the regular meeting held Sept. 6, 1859, the communication being accompanied by an affidavit of the truth of the above statement. Referred to committee on streets.

The special committee to whom was referred at last meeting the claim of A. Love $1,837 for removing cobble stones, reported progress.

The committee on finance, to whom was referred the petition of J. Kelly and others, relative to erroneous tax on property belonging to St. Mary's Church, assessed to J. R. Baily, presented a report accompanied by the following resolutions:

Resolved—That lots No 1, 2, 3 and 4 Erie street, block 182, assessed to J. R. Bailey, be cancelled of record for the reason, that the same is held as church property, and not liable to taxation, having church buildings thereon.

Resolved—That the sum of sixty-nine dollars and forty-one cents be deducted from the sum of ninety-two dollars, amount assessed on lots 5, 6, 7 and 8 Erie st., bl. 183, said lots having been assessed as having church buildings thereon, the same being vacant lots; and that the balance so received by the City Treasurer, $22 59 cents, as in full for such taxation, and that the City Clerk be instructed to cancel the same of record when it shall have been certified to him by the City Treasurer that said amount has been paid. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred Sept. 6, 1859, the petition of John B. Vroom, for an adjustment of an assessment upon lots 24, 25, 26 and 27, block 124, belonging to David Scott, and others sold to him at assessment sale of July 29, 1857, presented a report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution

Resolved—That the City Surveyors be requested to average the assessment upon said lots in accordance with the position of said property as held by the then respective owners thereof at the time of said assessment.

Resolved—That when such adjustment is made by the surveyors, that thereupon the City Clerk do notify such parties assessed for said improvement, in order that the true and correct amounts due thereupon may be paid. The report was received and the resolutions were adopted.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred Sept. 20, 1859, the petition of John Cowen, Agent of S. W. Smith, for privilege of redeeming lot belonging to said Smith, sold Sept. 10, 1857, to the City Treasurer, for Warren street assessment, the time for redemption having expired, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved—That permission be granted to S. W. Smith, by his agent John Cowen, to redeem lot 148, on block 50 Assessor's map, sold for unpaid assessment, Sept. 10, 1857, for regulating Warren street, from Morgan to Montgomery streets, said lots having been purchased by the City Treasurer, provided said redemption shall be made in the manner usual in such cases. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on finance to whom were referred, September 20th, 1859, petition of C. Conover, administrator of the estate of R. Conover, to have refunded erroneous charge in tax bill for taxes of 1858, and a communication from John B. Haight, collector of taxes, for 1858, setting forth that said error does exist, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant for ten dollars be drawn in favor of Cornelius Conover, administrator of Richard Conover, deceased, to refund amount paid by him for clerical error in taxes of 1858.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on alms, to whom was referred Sept. 20th, 1859, the petition of Robert Madigan and others, to have Mrs John O'Neil, a resident of Canal street, placed in the New York Hospital, presented a report thereon adverse to granting the prayer of the petitioners and recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Be it Resolved, That the prayer of the petition of Robert Madigan and others that the Common Council should cause Mrs John O'Neil to be sent to one of the New York hospitals be not granted, but that in view of the serious character of the disease, as set forth in the petition, the city physicians be requested to give their attendance on the said Mrs John O'Neil.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on alms to whom were referred by resolution passed July 26, 1859, with power to contract with the lowest bidder, if the committee deem it to the interests of the city so to do, the proposals of Matthew Erwin and N. R. Fowler for a contract to supply meat for the Alms House department for one year, and the proposal of Drayton and Durant for a contract to supply bread for the Alms House Department for one year, presented a report submitting contracts executed by said Matthew Erwin and Drayton & Durant, they being the lowest bidders for each of said contracts, and recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the contracts executed by Matthew Erwin to supply meat for the Alms House department for one year, and the contracts executed by Drayton & Durant to supply bread for the Alms House department for one year, submitted this evening by the committee on alms, be approved, and that his Honor the Mayor and the city clerk are hereby authorized and requested to execute said contracts, under the corporate seal of the city; and that one of each of said contracts be filed on the comptroller's office, and the others be delivered in said Matthew Erwin and Drayton & Durant.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred September 20, 1859, the petition of John Manning for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to John Manning, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Clarke, and adopted:

Resolved—That the action of this Common Council had Sept. 20, 1859, in referring the claim of James B. Hills, for fluid for station House, amounting to $13 23, to the committee on lamps, and which claim was subsequently reported correct by said committee, and ordered paid, be rescinded, and that said claim be referred to the committee on police.

Ald Hardenbergh moved, that the committee on sts. be instructed to report at this meeting on the petition in their hands of John M. Foquett, to be appointed a city surveyor. The motion was adopted.

Immediately thereafter Ald. Hardenbergh moved, that John M. Foquett be appointed a city surveyor.

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald. Hardenbergh, Tilden and Clarke.

Yeas—Ald. Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Ogden and Warner.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Brown, Christie, Edge, McLaughlin, Thurston and Tilden.

On motion of Ald Hardenbergh the Board then formed itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of hearing all parties interested in the several applications for permission to lay iron rail-tracks for Horse Railroads, through certain streets of Jersey City.

His Honor the Mayor and Messrs. E. B. Wakeman, J. D. Miller, J. J. Durant, J. G. McLaughlin, H. M. Traphagen, E. Randall and George McLaughlin addressed the Board.

The committee then rose, and on the reassembling of the Board, a remonstrance of P. H. Zabriskie and others, against the laying of iron-rail tracks in Grand street, for Horse Railroads, was presented, received and ordered to be published in the minutes.

To the Hon the Mayor and Common Council:

Gentlemen—The undersigned owners of real estate fronting on Grand street, would most respectfully represent, that they have noticed by the official

proceedings of your last meeting, that application was made to your honorable body for permission to lay rails in Grand Street, from Washington street to the western boundary of the city (as well as certain other streets), for the purpose of running Horse Railroads, and your honorable body adjourned to meet on the 27th inst., for the purpose of hearing parties interested in the proposed application. While the undersigned would, in common with all good citizens, concur in the propriety of granting any reasonable facility for travel and intercommunication between Bergen Point and Jersey City Ferry, and while there are by-streets, as direct and unincumbered by special charters, they cannot consent to a measure calculated to cut up and destroy the chief and most beautiful avenue in the city, running in a direct line its entire length from east to west, and this, too, for the accommodation of parties whose chief interest lies on either side and beyond the limits of the city. This street is now the only safe ingress and egress to and from the city for teams and family carriages, without being liable to the constant dangers of railroads and railroad crossings, destined, if properly guarded, soon to be the Broadway of the city. And besides, your honorable body must be fully aware that said street has been recently graded and improved at a vast expense, and in some instances, the assessment or costs of such improvement was greater than the present value of the lots, and that a private corporation has already the occupation of said street. The Jersey City and Bergen Point Plank Road Company, has a charter over it, and is exempt from the assessments and restrictions of the Common Council, and which street is now used by said Company with the largest liberty, and to the great detriment of the property on either side of it and to grant to another corporation what little remains of said street, for a Horse Railroad, would, in the opinion of the undersigned be manifestly unjust to them, as well as the citizens at large: besides the charter of the Jersey City & Bergen Point Railroad Company confers powers upon that corporation, in the opinion of the undersigned, directly in conflict with the power vested in your honorable body, for the control and regulation of the public streets and avenues of the city. No power is conferred by said charter upon the Mayor and Common Council, as there should be, by which they could impose proper and judicious limitations, restrictions regulations of said road within the limits of the city; no power after the tracks are once laid down, to compel the Company to keep the streets on the line of the road in proper repair, nor is there power conferred upon you by the City Charter, other than "to regulate the speed and running of locomotive Engines and Railroad Cars through the city." The consent once obtained by said Company, will run 25 years, or coeval with their charter. Besides, the best interest of the city seems to have been overlooked by the framers of this charter, in allowing the Company an acre of land at every depot, on which to erect warehouses, etc., subject to a nominal tax, to be paid into the State Treasury.

The charter says the company may "lay out and construct a Railroad from some point on the Kill Van Kull, at or near Bergen Point to the Newark Turnpike Road, leading from Jersey City to Newark, with the privilege of constructing one or more branches extending to the several ferries, in the county of Hudson, south of Hoboken, said road not exceeding 60 feet, in width," * * * provided also that in constructing said railroad or branches through any of the streets or avenues of Jersey City, the consent of the Common Council of said city shall first be obtained, the said work shall be done under the inspection of the commissioner on streets. * * * "That the said company may purchase, have and hold real estate at the commencement and termini of their road, and the different intermediate depots upon the line of same, not exceeding one acre at each place, and may erect and build thereon houses, warehouses, stables, and such other buildings and improvements as they deem expedient, &c. * * * and receive the rents and profits thereof," and said charter further directs as "soon as said railroad or any part thereof shall be put in operation, the said corporation shall pay annually thereafter to the treasurer of this State a tax of one-half of one per centum on the amount expended for said road." * * * "And all purchases made by virtue of said act." The undersigned have thus briefly referred to some of the provisions of the company's charter, for the purpose of a better understanding of the subject, and to show that some amendments are eminently necessary to the law to guard against the abuse of such extraordinary and excessive powers before they are permitted to enter upon and take possession of the streets of the city, it will be seen that there is no limitation to the number of tracks in any street, or the number of depots or amount of property they may hold in the city, and which will be subject only to a nominal taxation. The Legislature will soon be in session, and such necessary amendments may be obtained, without injury to the company, as by their charter they are not compelled to commence the construction of their road before the the 3d day of July, 1861.

In view therefore of the foregoing facts and considerations, the undersigned very respectfully remonstrate against your Honorable Body granting permission to the Jersey City and Bergen Railroad Company to lay rails for a Horse Railroad through Grand Street, &c.

Jersey City, September 24th, 1859.

P. H. Zabriskie,	James McDonald,
Jacob Erwin,	Thomas Flanagan,
John B. Haight,	John Geraghty,
Geo. S. Appleton,	John Howeth,
D. S. Manners,	Edward Kearsey,
Martin Williams.	Mrs. Gurman,
Hermann C. Henken,	John Corrigan,
Henry Qukerick,	John Madigan,
Daniel McNamara,	Benjamin Underhill,
Robert Madigan,	Thomas Gross,
James Ward,	Thos. Coolahan,
George Almont,	Bernard McAnally,
Richard Moore,	John Coar,
Otto Meyer & H Bauemann	Daniel Smith,
George Duncan, her mark.	John Garman,
	Thomas Foley.
Margaret X Kelly, mark.	James Branigan,
	Wm. Taylor.

Ald. Hardenbergh moved, that the action had by this Comon Council in referring papers relative to Horse Railroads to Committee on streets be rescinded. The motion was rejected.

Ald. Tilden moved, that the remonstrance just presented be laid upon the table. The motion was rejected.

On motion of Ald. Thurston the remonstrance was referred to the committee on streets.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Thurston:

Resolved—That the Corporation Attorney be requested to amend the contract with A. B. Reynolds, so as to conform to resolution of the Common Council, making the payments $5,000 per year, and that the consent of the contractor and his bondsmen be first had and obtained in writing, and that the bonds be issued accordingly.

On motion of Ald. Hardenbergh the resolution was amended by inserting between the word "the consent" and the words "of the contractor and his bondsmen" the words "his Honor the Mayor on the part of the city and": and the resolution as amended was adopted.

The following resolutions were offered by Alderman Hardenbergh:

Resolved, That the Mayor and city clerk be authorized to issue coupon bonds, bearing interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum, in the sum of twelve thousand dollars, upon the requisition of the committee on finance, according to the amended contract with Adrian B. Reynolds for the laying down of Belgian pavement, provided first, however, that no such bonds shall be issued until the filing by the city surveyor of a certificate in the office of the city clerk, that an amount of work exceeding ten per cent. of that called for by the bonds has been performed.

Resolved, That the resolutions hitherto ordered, ordering coupon bonds and a warrant not hitherto paid, be and are hereby rescinded.

The resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Ald Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald Edge.

On motion of Ald Clarke the following entitled ordinance, presented August 2d, 1859, was taken up for consideration, viz: "An ordinance for filling in to the established grade, paving, curbing and guttering Bright street, from Grove to Jersey street, including intersections, and for laying sidewalks on said Bright street, from Grove to Jersey street, where required.

On motion of Ald Thurston the title and first section of the ordinance was amended by inserting after the words "Bright street," where they first appear, the words "at lawful width of eighty feet."

Ald Warner moved to amend the ordinance by striking out the words "eighty feet" in title and first section contained.

The amendment was rejected.

The ordinance as amended was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Pres Van Vorst and Ald Christie, Clarke,

Decker, Earle, Hankins, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, and Thurston.

Nays—Ald Brown, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, Tilden and Wagner.

Absent—Ald Edge.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Ald Hardenbergh and adopted:

Whereas, It has been represented to members of this Common Council that, under the sanction of the Harbor Commissioners of New York, large deposits of earth and other materials, some of which are represented as of a character deleterious to the health of the citizens of Hudson county, and greatly injurious to the interests of those engaged in the Fisheries of the Bay and cove. And whereas, such deposits threaten to close the channel for navigation between Bedlow's and Elis' Islands. Therefore,

Resolved, That the Mayor of the city be requested to communicate with the Governor of the State relative thereto, and report to this Board the result of such communication at his earliest opportunity.

On motion of Ald. Tilden the Board then adjourned,

THOS. E. TILDEN, City Clerk pro-tem.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council chamber Tuesday, October 4th, 1859, at 7½ o'clock p.m.

In the absence of the President the Board was called to order by the city clerk.

Present—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

On motion of Ald. Clarke Ald. Thurston was appointed President pro-tempore, and presided until the arrival of the President.

President Van Vorst and Ald. Decker, Earle and McLaughlin were absent at the calling of the roll, but appeared during the reading of the minutes and took their seats.

The minutes of the regular meeting of September 20, 1859, and of the adjourned regular meeting of September 27, 1859, were read and approved.

Petitions were presented, received and disposed of as follows :

Of C. F. Durant, to have Warren street, from Montgomery to York streets, and the intersections of Warren, York and Gregory streets, filled and raised to the established grade, &c.

Referred to committee on streets.

Of Charles Fink and others for the construction of a lateral sewer in York street, between Grove street and Jersey avenue, to connect with the main sewer in Grove street, as applied for by Joseph McCoy and others.

Referred to committee on sewers.

Of Thomas Ward and others, for the removal of a nuisance known as "Luke Lyman's property, No. 55 Bright street, near the corner of Barrow street," &c.

Referred to committee on public health.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows, viz :

Of J. F. Richardson, $18 55; W. W. Lee, $10; and H. Goetschius, $3 97.

Referred to committee on police.

Of John Coar, $143 44 and $16 25. Referred to committee on streets.

Of Wm. T. Weir, $15, and Romer & Hover $10. Referred to committee on fire and water.

Of Drayton & Durant, $76 67, and Hugh Reilly $11 18 cents. Referred to committee on alms.

Of C. C. Stager, $187 67. Referred to committee on public grounds and buildings.

Of Hugh Billingsley, $9. Referred to committee on lamps.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of Police Department, $1276 25; Matthew Erwin, $88; H. Goetschius, $49 30; Thomas Howe, $40 20; J. F. Richardson $34 75; A. & H. Brown & Co. $22 58, and Mrs. Ann Eaton, $13.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were report d correct and order d paid, viz :

Of A. M. C. Smith, $175 75; John J. Hill, $172 17; Richard Bly, $75 85; Wm. Anness, $73 14; Stephen Jaquins, $58 and $27 75; Thos. Newham, $20 12; Metz & Brother, $17 82; Jas. B. Hills, $13 23; P. H. Nugent $11 50; Metz & Brother, $9 45; R. B. Earle & Co. $8 60; R. A. Randall, $7 88; M. Sharp, $7 26; Japhet Jardine, $7 25; John Morris, $5 36; M. Sharp, $5, $4 31 and $4 13; Japhet Jardine, $4 10; Wm. Damner, $4 05; M. Sharp, $3 63 and $3 57; Jones & Terhune, $3 25; John Morris, $3; M. Sharp, $2 50 and $2 50; Metz & Brother, $2 50; W. R. & J. B. Drayton, $2 19; Japhet Jardine, $1 79; M. Sharp, $1 50, and Edward Hope, $1.

A communication from his Honor the Mayor, enclosing copies of his letter to the Governor of the State of New Jersey, on the subject of the encroachments being made in the Bay of New York, and the Governor's proclamation respecting the matter, was presented.

The letter of his Honor the Mayor was ordered to be published in the minutes, and the remaining papers were referred to the committee on ferries and wharves, said letter being as follows :

(Copy.) Mayor's Office, Jersey City, September 29, 1859.

His Ex., Wm. A. Newell, Governor, &c.

Sir—I have the honor to transmit herewith a preamble and resolution adopted by the Common Council of this city concerning encroachments now making in New York Bay, within the limits of this State, and greatly injurious to the oyster and other fisheries, and detrimental to commerce.

This intrusion in the waters of New Jersey is made under instruction from the commissioners of pilots of the State of New York, who have directed that all matter excavated from the docks, piers, slips or harbor of the port of New York, be deposited upon the island or shoal known as Oyster Island, or upon the flats lying South and West of Bedloe's Island, and in no other place below high water mark.

This proceeding has justly alarmed the people of this city and of the southern part of the county of Hudson, as tending to destroy one of the surest sources of employment and profit to those engaged in the oyster fisheries.

This immense plateau, covering some thousands of acres, is on that account more valuable than it possibly can be by being reclaimed and used for agricultural and horticultural purposes, and that is but one view of the importance of keeping New York Bay as it is.

By the preservation of fisheries under protection of law for the planting of oysters, millions of oysters are carried into the city of New York annually for consumption and exportation; as it is well known that the New York Bay planted oysters are preferred for shipping and transportation. This affords not only wealth to a large number of persons occupying buildings and paying taxes in the city of New York, but as the supply is always abundant and regular, a cheap food is provided at a low price, never varying, and consequently favorably affecting to the consumer the price of meats consumed in the city.

Nor is this all. The increase of the commerce of the port of New York has no parallel. The introduction of steam for ocean service, and the building of large ships to communicate with all parts of the world, with the communication with this port by vessels of large size, from other governments, has given much concern to keep the channels to the ocean open, now hardly permitting a vessel to pass in or out drawing twenty-four feet of water.

It has been satisfactorily demonstrated by Professor Bache, who is at the head of the U. S. Government of Coast Survey, that it is necessary to take every measure to prevent encroachments upon the tidal waters, which will lessen the influx of the volume of water from the ocean at the flood, swelling our rivers, bays, and extending over our flats.

It is from this source, the intelligent professor contends, the commerce of New York must rely for the sweeping out of the deposits constantly making in the channels off Sandy Hook to the ocean.

I therefore consider that the authorities of New York should be much more concerned in preventing any encroachments whatever on these flats than we should be.

That the proceeding complained of is an encroachment on the soil protected by the laws of this State, I think cannot be doubted. This, I think, clearly appears in the 1st and 34 sections of article 3d, and from article 6th of the treaty existing between the States of New York and New Jersey, made in 1833, and ratified by this State in 1834.

I trust this subject will have your prompt consideration, and that the Chief Magistrate of the State of New York will concur in any measure which may be advised to prevent this encroachment.

I have the honor to be, very respectfully, sir, your obedient serv't,

D. S GREGORY, Mayor.

A communication was presented from his Honor the Mayor, announcing the suspension of Policeman John D. Thompson, and calling the attention of the Common Council to the necessity of taking action in reference to the cases of policemen Strong and Fallon.

The communication and charge were referred to the committee on police.

A communication was presented from the Board of Water Commissioners, enclosing a certified return of unpaid Water Rents on real estate, due for the fiscal year commencing and payable in advance, on the 1st day of May, 1858. The communication was received, and on motion of Alderman Hardenbergh, it was

Resolved—That the return be referred to the Committee on finance; with power to advertise, and sell according to law.

A communication was presented from the Board of Water Commissioners enclosing a certified return of unpaid assessments for the construction of sewers in South 5th street, Wayne street, Newark avenue, and Railroad avenue and Grand street, with their laterals.

The communication was received, and on motion of Ald. Hardenbergh it was

Resolved—That the return be referred to the Committee on Finance, with power to advertise, and sell according to law.

A communication from the Board of Water Commissioners, requesting the cancelling of sale of lots 34, 35, and 36 Mercer street, on block 21, belonging to Michael Mullone, for unpaid water rents, due May 1st, 1856 and May 1st, 1857, the same having been erroneously assessed. The communication was referred to the Committee on Finance.

A communication was presented from the Board of Water Commissioners, returning the petition referred

to them Sept. 20, 1859, of Joseph McCoy and others, for the construction of a main brick sewer, from the terminus of the brick sewer corner of Montgomery and Grove streets, to connect with the brick sewer corner of Grand and Grove street, with all the necessary culverts and receiving basins to connect therewith, and enclosing an estimate and description of the cost of building said sewer, and also, of a lateral sewer in York street, between Grove street and Jersey ave, to connect with the said main sewer in Grove street, asked for by petition, presented this evening by Charles Fink and others.

The communication and estimate and description, together with the petition above named, were referred to the committee on sewers.

The City Treasurer's report, showing balance in the treasury Sept. 30, 1859, of $2,350 13 was presented, received, and ordered filed.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Jersey City Fire Department enclosing returns of the following elections in and resignat on from said Department, confirmed by the commissioners of the Fire Department:

Election of George Scheetz by Hose Co. 2, and James Bayley by Engine Co. No. 3.

Resignation of Philip Sellew from Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1.

The communications were received and the action of the commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department was approved and confirmed.

The special committee, to whom was referred Sept. 20th, 1859, the claim of Alexander Love, for removing cobble stones, presented a report, signed by Aldermen Hoffman and McBride, and accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That Mr. Alexander Love be paid in lieu of all claims hitherto presented to this Common Council for removing cobble stones from Hudson, Montgomery street and Newark avenue, the sum of $924 24.

The report was received and the resolution laid upon the table.

The committee on streets, to whom was referred September 20th, 1859, the proposals of F. J. Mallory and J. F. Fielder, for contract to improve Morgan street, from Prospect to Greene streets, with the accompanying bonds for the fulfilment of the same, if awarded, and the petition of Morris & Co. and others, asking for a re-advertisement for proposals, presented a report recommending that the proposals be rejected, and that the accompanying bonds be returned to the principals named therein.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The committee on streets to whom were referred, by resolution passed Sept. 30, 1853, with power to confract &c., the proposals and bonds of Keeney & Halladay, and F. J. Mallory for a contract to improve by flagging, the sidewalk on the east side of Grove street, from the northerly side of Mercer street to the southerly side of Bay street, and laying cross-walks at the intersections with Railroad avenue on the east side, presented a report setting forth that said committee have awarded said contract to said Keeney & Halladay, they being the lowest of said bidders, and recommending that the bond which accompanied the proposal of said Keeney & Halladay be approved and filed with said contract in the Comptroller's office, and that the bond which accompanied the rejected proposal of F. J Mallory be returned to him. The report was received, and its recommendation adopted.

The committee on streets, to whom were referred by resolution, passed Sept. 20, 1853, with power to contract, etc., the proposals and bonds of Keeny and Halladay, F. J. Mallory, P. McPharlin and Patrick Riley, for a contract to regulate, etc., Provost st., between South Second st. and Pavonia ave., including intersections, presented a report setting forth, that said committee have awarded said contract to Keeney & Halladay, they being the lowest of said bidders, and recommending that the bond which accompanied the proposal of said Keeney & Halladay be approved, and filed with said contract in the Comptroller's office, and that the bonds which accompanied the rejected proposals be returned to the principals named therein. The report was received, and its recommendation adopted.

The committee on streets, to whom were referred by resolution, passed Sept. 6, 1859, with power to contract etc., with the lowest bidder, the proposals and bonds of James F. Fielder and F. J. Mallory, for a contract to regulate, etc. Coles street, from the southerly side of South Second st., to the southerly side of South Fourth st., including intersections, presented a report setting forth that said committee have awarded said contract to James F. Fielder, he being the lower of said bidders, and recommending that the bond which accompanied James F. Fielder's proposal be approved and filed with said contract, and that the bond which accompanied the rejected proposal of F. J. Mallory be returned to him. The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The committee on streets, to whom were referred by resolution, passed Sept. 6, 1859, with power to contract etc., the proposals and bonds of John Coar, James Barton and Alexander Love, for a contract to sweep and clean the streets of Jersey City for one year, and who were by resolution passed Sept. 20, 1859, instructed to contract with Alexander Love for said work, presented a report setting forth that said committe have, in accordance with the resolution of Sept. 20, 1859, entered into a contract with Alex. Love, and recommending that the bond which accompanied his proposal be approved, and filed with his contract in the Comptroller's office, and that the bonds which accompanied the rejected proposals be returned to the principals named therein. The report was received, and its recommendation adopted.

The committee on streets, to whom was referred September 27th, 1859, the petition of T. Gross and others to have the south side of Grand street, from Grove street to Barrow street, including intersections, refilled to the established grade, paved, etc., presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution appointing a time and place for a hearing:

Resolved, That Saturday, October 29th, 1859, at 7½ o'clock p.m., is hereby appointed as the time, and the city clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street, as the place, when and where the committee on streets of this Common Council will meet for the purpose of hearing parties interested in the application presented to this Common Council, Sept. 27th, 1859, of T. Gross and others, to have the south side of Grand street, from Grove street to Barrow street, including intersections, lying between the curb stone and the paving recently laid by the Jersey City and Bergen Point Plank Road Company, refilled so as to bring the same to the established grade, and paved, and to have the sidewalks on the south side aforesaid refilled and reflagged; and that the city clerk is hereby instructed to publish in the corporation paper for the length of time required by the city charter notice of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on streets, who were instructed by resolution passed September 1st, 1853, and approved September 3d, 1859, to purchase for the use of the city the property at the angle of Newark avenue and Railroad avenue, in block 18, &c., presented a report setting forth that they have made such purchase, and recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That a bond or bonds of the city be issued by the Mayor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, for thirty-six hundred dollars, in favor of Cornelius Van Vorst, for purchase money of property at the angle of Railroad avenue and Newark avenue, in block No. 18, (as designated on Van Vorst's map) belonging to the estate of Cornelius Van Vorst; said bond or bonds to be dated October 5th, 1859, and to be drawn payable ten years from date, which interest thereon at the rate of six per cent. per annum, on the requisition of the committee on finance.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Nay—Alderman Tilden.

Absent—Aldermen Christie and Hoffman.

President Van Vorst was excused from voting, being interested in the matter.

The committee on streets, to whom was referred Sept. 20, 1859, the petition of Andrew Clerk and C. B. Wakeman, in behalf of the Bergen and Jersey City Horse Railroad Company, for permission to lay iron-rail tracks through certain streets and avenues in Jersey City, presented a report submitting a the following entitled ordinance, and recommending that said ordinance be laid upon the table until such time as certain objectionable sections in the charter of said Company are stricken out therefrom, or repealed.

"An ordinance to authorize the Jersey City and Bergen Railroad Company to lay a single track of iron rails in certain streets of Jersey City."

The report was received, its recommendation adopted, and it was

Resolved—That the report and ordinance submitted this evening by the committee on streets, be published by the City Clerk in both of the Jersey papers.

On motion of Ald. Warner, the report of the committee on police, presented August 2, 1859, in relation to the suspension of policeman Strong, was taken up for consideration.

Ald. Tilden moved, that Wm. N. Strong be reinstated as a member of the Police Department.

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald. Thurston, Brown and Hardenbergh :

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, McBride and Tilden.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Hankins, Hardenbergh, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Christie, Edge and Hoffman.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Thurston :

Resolved, That inasmuch as policeman William N. Strong has been found guilty of insubordination, and leaving his beat without permission, he be for these causes dismissed from the police department.

The resolution was laid upon the table.

On motion of Ald. Warner the vote was rescinded by which at the last meeting a warrant was ordered to be drawn in favor of R. B. Earle and Co. for $36 14, for amount of Board of Education requisition, and on his motion it was

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of R. B. Earle and Co. for twelve dollars and thirty-two cents, in payment of amount of said requisition.

The folfowing resolution was offered by Alderman McBride and adopted :

Resolved, That the committee on streets be requested to inform this Board what action, if any, has been taken in reference to a remonstrance presented by Mr. Musk and others, owners of property on south side of Montgomery st., against any alteration of the grade at the intersection of Warren and Montgomery streets, said remonstrance having been referred to the committee on streets.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Hankins and adopted :

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer for seventy-five dollars in favor of Stephen Quaife for superintending the erection of the 3d ward school house, this being the second payment, as per contract, and the Mayor and city clerk be and ard hereby requested to sign the same.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Hankins and adopted :

Resolved, Toat a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer for one hundred dollars in favor of Stephen Quaife for superintending the erection of the station house and bell-tower, this being his second payment, as per contract, and the Mayor and city clerk be and are hereby requested to sign the same.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hankins :

Resolved, That the committee on public grounds and buildings, together with the committee on fire and water be authorised to purchase a metal bell for the Station House Tower, cost not to exceed twelve hundred dollars complete.

On motio of Alderman Hardenbergh, the resolution was amended so as to read as follows :

Resolved, That the committee on public grounds and buildings, together with the committee on fire and water be authorised to advertise for proposals for a metal bell for Station House Tower to weigh four thousand pounds.

On motion of Alderman Tilden the resolution was further amended by adding the words "and report the said proposals to this Board." The resolution as amended was then adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hankins and adopted :

Resolved that the committee on public grounds and buildings be authorised to advertise for proposals to fill in the lot next to the Station House with earth filling, cost not to exceed one hundred and twenty five dollars.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Tilden and adopted :

Resolved that the Mayor be and is hereby requested to sign a warrant for the bill reported correct for the full amount by the (committee to whom it was referred) in favor of R. Griglietti for services in registering the births and deaths in Jersey City

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Tilden and adopted :

Resolved, That Thursday, October 20th, 1859, at half last seven o'clock, P M, at the City Clerk's office No. 23 Montgomery street, be appointed as the time and place when and where parties interested in the application of McCoy and others for a main sewer in Grove street from York to Grand street, also a lateral sewer applied for by Charles Fink and others in York street to connect with sewer applied for by McCoy and others in Grove street, will have a hearing before the committee on sewers on the merits of said applications, and that the city clerk is hereby instructed to publish in the corporation paper Notice of the appointment of the time and place for such hearing, and that the estimate and description of the Board of Water commissioners poesented and referred at this meeting be embraced in said notice

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Ald Thurston, and adopted.

Whereas, the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company have, in writing, signified their willingness to pay claims of the Common Council against them for the improvement of Hudson street, therefore, resolved, that the committee on streets be directed to advertise for proposals for removing the cobble stone on the block between York and Grand streets in Hudson st, and having the street brought to a lawful grade for the laying Belgian pavement, and have the same paved with Belgian pavement, by A B. Reynolds, on the same terms as the contract for paving Newark avenue.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Ald. Warner :

Whereas, the committee on police reported verbally, that the charges made against officer Fallen, for non-performance of duty, were, upon investigation by said committee, fully sustained, and that said policeman Fallen, found asleep while on duty, therefore resolved, that policeman Fallen be dismissed from the Police department.

The preamble and resolution were laid upon the table.

On motion of Ald. Hardenbergh the following entitled ordinance, presented September 6th, 1859, was taken up for consideration, viz :

"An ordinance to define the compensation of the Corporation Printer of Jersey City."

The ordinance was rejected by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yees—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Hardenbergh, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Nays—Ald. Earle, Hankins, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Aldermen Christie, Edge and Hoffman.

On motion of Ald. Thurston the vote was reconsidered by which the ordinance was rejected.

On motion of Ald. Thurston the first section of the ordinance was amended by inserting "eight" nundred dollars as the salary of the corporation printer.

On motion of Ald Thurston the second section of the ordinance was amended by striking out the words "twenty-five cents" and inserting the wards "fifteen cents," as the compensation for publishing each parcel of land for sale for taxes, assessments and water rents.

The ordinance as amended was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hankins, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—Ald. Hardenbergh.

Absent—Ald. Christie, Edge and Hoffman.

On motion of Ald, Earle, the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council chamber, Tuesday, October 11th, 1859, at 7½ o'clock p.m.

Present—President Van Vorst and Alderman Brown Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Ald Edge.

The minutes of the regular meeting of October 4th, 1859, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, &c., were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Official bond of John M. Fouquet as a city surveyor, with William Keeney and James R. Thompson as sureties. Referred to the corporation attorney.

Communication from Peter N. Hursely charging policeman Mallad, Chazotte and Bennett with committing an assault upon him, &c. Referred to committee on police.

Petition of Francis Hill and others for the erection of a lamp or lamps at the corner of South 4th street and Newark avenue. Referred to committee on lamps.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows, viz :

Of W. L. B. Smith $184 11. Referred to committee on police.

Of R. B. Kashow $37 50. Referred to committee on salaries, offices and elections.

Of Metz & Brother $41. Referred to committee on finance.

Of Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Co., $10. Referred to committee on fire and water.

Of Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Co. $10. Referred to committee on public grounds and buildings.

Of R. B. Kashow $2 13. Referred to committee on police.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Co. $431 80 ; Thomas Royle $76 50, and A. B. Reynolds $41 73.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of C. C. Steger $187 67 ; Drayton & Durant $76 67 ; William T. Weir $15 ; Hugh Reily $11 18 ; Romer and Hover $10, and Hugh Gillingsley $9.

An opinion of the Corporation Attorney in reference to coupon bonds, setting forth that the Corporation have full power to issue said bonds, &c., was presented, received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk laid before the Board a writ of certiorari and supersedeas, served upon him on the 6th instant, in the case of Jonathan D. Miller, to remove assessment on his lots, for filling in sunken lots, between Railroad avenue, Prospect, and Morgan streets, and Morgan, Prospect, and Bay streets.

The writ of certiorari and supersedeas were referred to the corporation attorney.

Ald. Hardenbergh, from the special committee, to whom was referred, Sept. 20, 1859, the claim of Alexander Love, for removing cobble stones, presented a minority report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved—That the committee on streets be requested to report all papers, contracts or agreements entered into with Alexander Love for the removal of cobble stones from the localities now paved with Belgian pavement, and to further report where such cobble stones have been removed to, whether any have been sold, and if sold, to whom, and at what prices, and of all services performed by Alexander Love, and that such report be made at the next meeting of the Common Council. The report was received and the resolution adopted

The committee on streets presented three sealed proposals, received by them in answer to their advertisement for proposals for a contract to remove the cobble stones from Hudson street, between York and Grand streets, and to bring the street to a suitable grade for receiving the Belgian pavement.

The proposals were received, opened, read, and found to be from John Coar, Alexander Love, and Keeney & Halladay, the proposals being accompanied by bonds for the fulfilment of contract if awarded.

On motion of Ald. Thurston, it was

Resolved—That the proposals of John Coar, Alex. Love, and Keeney & Halladay received and read at this meeting of the Common Council, for the contract to remove the cobble stones from Hudson street, between York and Grand sts., and to bring the street to a suitable grade for receiving the Belgian pavement, together with the bonds which accompanied the same, be referred to the committee on streets, with authority to enter into a contract with the lowest bidder if the Committee deem it to the interests of the city so to do; and the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and requested to execute under the corporate seal of the city, on the requisition of the committee on streets, such contract when awarded by said committee as shall have been prepared by the Corporation Attorney, and executed by the party who shall have obtained the above-mentioned contract. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on fire and water who were instructed by resolution, passed May 18, 1858, to purchase a lot for the erection thereon of a house, for the use of Hose Co. No. 2, presented a report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved—That the deed from Emily Bliven to the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City, dated the —— day of October, 1859, for lot known as number 15, in block 202, on map of that part of the town of Jersey commonly called Aharsimus, be accepted, the same having been approved by the Corporation Attorney.

Resolved—That a city bond for $1,200, payable to Emily Bliven, her executors, administrators, or assigns in fifteen years from date, with interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum, to be paid semi-annually, be drawn as payment to said Emily Bliven, for the lot aforesaid, to be dated on the day whereon the said Emily Bliven shall execute the said deed, and that the said bond be executed by his Honor the Mayor and the Clerk, under the corporation seal of the city.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Alderman Edge.

The committee on public grounds and buildings who were authorized by resolution passed August 16th, 1859, and approved August 19th, 1859, to advertise for proposals for a contract to furnish the materials and erect a house for the use of Hose Co. No. 2, presented a report submitting five sealed proposals received by said committee in answer to their advertisement, for proposals for said contract, and recommending that the same be opened and read.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted. The proposals were opened, read and found to be from John J. Hill, George Quaife & Co., James McLaughlin, Smith Mead and John J. Hill.

The following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Ald. Hankins and adopted :

Resolved, That the five proposals read and received at this meeting of the Common Council for the contract to furnish the materials and erect a house for the use of Phœnix Hose Co. No. 2 be referred to the committee on public grounds and buildings, with authority to enter into a contract with the lowest of said bidders, if the said committee deem it to the interests of the city so to do ; and the Mayor and city clerk are hereby authorized and requested to execute, under the corporate seal of the city, on the requisition of the committee on public grounds and buildings, such contractor contracts when awarded by said committee, which shall have been prepared by the corporation attorney and executed by the party or parties who shall have obtained the above mentioned contract or contracts.

The committee on public grounds and buildings, to whom were referred August 16th, 1859, the claim of Thomas Royle for stone work for Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1, amounting to $50, reported back said claim as not correct.

The report was received and adopted.

On motion of Alderman Clarke the rule requiring a balloting was suspended to enable the Board to appoint viva voce a clerk of the 1st ward, and on his motion Chancellor W. Chase was appointed to said office.

On motion of Ald Hardenbergh the rule requiring a balloting was suspended to enable the Board to appoint viva voce a judge of election for the 2d ward, and on his motion John G. Haybeck, Jr., was appointed to said office.

On motion of Ald Earle the rule requiring a balloting was suspended to enable the Board to appoint viva voce two judges of election for the 1st ward, to fill vacancies, and on his motion Phineas C. Dummer and David Smith were appointed to said offices.

On motion of Ald Warner the Board proceeded to the appointment of a member of the Board of Education for the 4th ward in place of Wm. T. Woodruff who vacated the office by removal from the city.

A balloting being had Melanchton S. Wickware received fifteen votes, and was declared appointed to said office.

On motion of Ald Tilden the Board proceeded to the

appointment of a member of the Board of Education in the place of Harvey M. Soule who failed to qualify.

A balloting was had which resulted as follows :

Harvey M. Soule received ten votes.

S. Alger received two votes.

T. E. Tilden received two votes.

Whereupon Harvey M. Soule was declared appointed to said office.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman McLaughlin and adopted :

Resolved, That a warrant for eighty-seven dollars and fifty cents be drawn in favor of the Jersey City Insurance Co. for renewals of policy of insurance on Engine Houses and fixtures, and his Honor the Mayor and city clerk be requested to sign the same.

Ald Christie presented a resolution which was amended so as to read as follows, and as amended was adopted :

Resolved, That the committee on streets be instructed to have the bridge across Mill Creek at the head of Grove street repaired at the earliest practicable time at an expense not to exceed twenty-five dollars.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Christie and rejected :

Resolved—That the committee on streets be instructed to have Prospect street, between Mill Creek and the Hoboken embankment, graded above high water mark so it may be passable.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Hopkins, and rejected :

Resolved—That the rules of this Board be so amended that hereafter the regular meetings of this Common Council be the first and third Tuesday evenings in each month.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Hardenbergh, and adopted :

Resolved—That the committee on streets be requested to confer with the Common Council of Hoboken, relative to the erection of bridges across Mill Creek, on such street or streets as connect Hoboken with Jersey City.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Clarke :

Resolved—That the committee on lamps be, and are hereby authorized, to enter into a contract with the Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Co. to light this city with gas, provided that such contract be first reported to the Common Council, and be approved by the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City, before it shall become binding on them.

On motion of Ald. Thurston, the resolution was amended by adding the words "and that a metre be placed in the new Station House, and a register be kept." The resolution as amended was then adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Tilden :

Resolved—That the committee on fire and water and public grounds and buildings report to this Board, to-night, what they have done, or intend to do, in relation to repairing the house occupied by Americus Hook and Ladder Co.

The resolution was rejected by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald Hardenbergh, McLaughlin and Earle :

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Hoffman, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—Ald. Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden and Thurston.

Absent—Alderman Edge.

Ald Thurston moved that the committee on fire and water be instructed to report at the next meeting of the Board on the condition of Americus Hook and Ladder house, No. 2. The motion was adopted.

On motion of Ald Warner the following preamble and resolution presented on the 4th instant and laid upon the table were taken up for consideration.

Whereas, the committee on police reported verbally, that the charges made against officer Fallen, for non-performance of duty, were, upon investigation by said committee, fully sustained, and that said policeman Fallen, found asleep while on duty, therefore resolved, that policeman Fallen be dismissed from the Police department.

The preamble and resolution were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

On motion of Ald. Thurston the following resolution presented on the 4th instant and laid upon the table was taken up for consideration :

Resolved, That inasmuch as policeman William N. Strong has been found guilty of insubordination, and leaving his beat without permission, he be for these causes dismissed from the police department.

The resolution was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Christie, Hankins Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Nays—Ald Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, McBride, and Tilden.

Absent—Ald Edge.

On motion of Alderman Hoffman the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council chamber, Tuesday, October 18th, 18th, 2859, at ½ o'clock.

Present—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 11th inst. were read and approved.

A petition of Michael Coren for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables was presented, received and referred to the committee on licenses.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Of R B Kashow $27 17, $6 88, $6 63, $5 38, $3 75, $3 50 and $1 55.

Referred to committee on salaries offices and elections

Of Ward & McGown $141 95; Samuel A French $51 55; Ward & Gown $20 61, and R B Kaskow 50 cents.

Referred to committee on alms.

Of J Flemming, Jr., $33; John V Brower $33; James, Flemming $30, and George McLaughlin $30.

Referred to committee on assessments.

Of I B and D E Culver $118; New Jersey Railroad & Trans Co $75, and Larey Owens $3 12.

Referred to committee on streets.

Of S W Treadwell $9 50 and Wm B Dunning $3 50.

Referred to committee on fire and water.

Of Wm B Dunning $12 55.

Referred to committee on finance.

Of Wm B Dunning $4.

Referred to committee on police.

Of David Bedford $2.

Referred to committee on public grounds and buildings.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct, and ordered paid, viz:

Of R B Earle & Co., $98 70; Nathaniel Ellis, $28 21; Richard Bly, $83 00; John E Quidor, M D, $100; F M Sanderling M D, $50; George W Cassedy, $500 00 and $1 0; F P Budden, $25; S A French, $100; and R D McClelland, $150.

The following claims and accounts presented, and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board, were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

W J B Smith, $484 11; John Cour, $143 44; R B Kashow, $37 50; Metz & Brother, $21; John Cour, $16 25; J F Richardson, $13 55; W W Lee, $10; Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Co, $10 00; H Goetzenius, $3 97; and R B Kashow, $2 13.

The committee on fire and water, to whom was referred Oct. 11, 1859, the claim of Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Co., amounting to $10, for service pipes for Engine House No. 1, reported said claim correct for $15 and that amount was ordered paid.

The committee on streets, to whom was referred August 16, 1859, the claim of A Love, amounting to $453, for removing cobble stones, reported said claim correct for $373, and that amount was ordered paid.

The City Attorney, to whom was referred October 11, 1859, the official bond of John M Fouquet as a City Surveyor, reported back said bond as drawn in legal form.

The report was received, and the bond was approved and ordered filed in the Comptroller's office.

The following requisition from the Board of Education was presented, received, and a warrant ordered to be drawn for the amount of said requisition, and in accordance with the same:

To the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City:

At a meeting of the Board of Education, held at the City Clerk's office on Monday evening, Oct. 17, 1859,

It was resolved, that requisition be made upon the Common Council for twenty-four hundred and seventeen dollars and twenty-eight cents ($2417 28), for the payment of the salaries due the teachers of the Public Schools on the 31st instant, the warrant for the same to be drawn in favor of H M Soule, Esq., chairman of the Finance Committee of the Board of Education.

P. D. VROOM,
Clerk of the Board of Education.

Jersey City, Oct. 18, 1859.

Communications were presented from the chief engineer of the fire department announcing the following elections to and resignations and expulsion from said department, confirmed by the commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department.

Elections of John N Jackson, Daniel Shea and Wm A Fisher by Hose Co No 3, and John Engler by Engine Co No 3.

Resignations of Pryor Dennelly, Thomas Kaine and Benjamin R Wakeman from Engine Co No 2, and Wm L Hanford from Hook and Ladder Co No 1.

Expulsion of Wm Roosevelt from Engine Co No 4.

The communications were received, and the action of the commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department was approved and confirmed.

A claim of Wm B Dunning for salary amounting to $200 was presented, received, referred to the committee on salaries, offices, and elections, and afterwards reported correct. The report was received and the claim ordered to be laid on the table until after the ordinance relating to the corporation printer shall have gone into effect.

The committee on finance to whom was referred August 9th, 1859, the petition of Peter Morris and others to have their property released from lien for taxes of 1857, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the city clerk be directed to cancel of record the following described lots—

2d Ward—Unknown, about 13 lots, under water, Harsimus street, block No 54, S W Smith's map.

Unknown, about 14 lots, water, Bay street, block 51, S W Smith's map.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on finance to whom was referred Oct. 4th, 1859, the communication of the Board of Water Commissioners requesting the cancelling of sale of lots 34, 35 and 36, Mercer street, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the city clerk be and is hereby directed to cancel of record lots Nos 34, 35 and 36, block 21, Mercer street, belonging to Michael Mullone, the same having been assessed erroneously.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on streets to whom was referred July 26, 1859, the petition of Thomas Royle and others to have the sidewalk in front of lots numbered 9, 11, 21 and 23, on block numbered 2, as designated on Clerk & Bacot's map, refilled and flagged four feet wide, and the curb and gutter reset, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved—That Thursday, November 10th, 1859, at half-past 7 o'clock, p.m., is hereby appointed as the time, and the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street as the place, when and where the committee on streets of this Common Council will meet, for the purpose of hearing on the merits of the same all parties interested in the application presented April 19, 1859, and referred to the committee on streets, July 26, 1859. Of Thomas Royle and others, to have the sidewalks in front of lots numbered nine (9), eleven (11), twenty-one (21) and twenty-three (23), on block numbers two (2), as the same is laid down on a map of Jersey City, made by A Clerk and R C Bacot, City Surveyors in the year 1848, refilled, flagged four feet wide, and the curb and gutter reset; and that the City Clerk is hereby instructed to publish in the corporation paper, for the length of time required by the city charter, notice of the appointment of the above-named time and place for a hearing.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on streets, to whom was referred July 26, 1859, the petition of Thomas Royle and others, to have the sidewalk in front of lots 10 and 12, on block 3 as designated on Clerk and Bacot's map, refilled, and the flagging repaired, presented a report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved—That Thursday, November 10th, 1859, at half-past 7 o'clock, p.m., is hereby appointed as the time, and the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street, as the place when and where the committee on streets of this common Council will meet for the purpose of hearing on the merits of the same all parties interested in the application presented April 19, 1859, and referred to the committee on streets July 26, 1859. Of Thomas Royle and others, to have the sidewalks in front of lots numbered ten (10) and twelve (12) on block numbered three (3), as the same is laid down on a map of Jersey City, Hudson county, New Jersey, made by A Clerk and R C Bacot, city surveyors in the year 1848, refilled, and the flagging repaired, and that the City Clerk is hereby instructed to publish in the Corporation paper for the length of time required by the city charter, notice of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on streets to whom was referred September 2d, 1859, the petition of Edward Hope and others to have Henderson street between Newark avenue and Wayne street raised to the established grade, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That Thursday, November 10th, 1859, at 7½ o'clock p.m., is hereby appointed as the time, and the city clerk's office, No 23 Montgomery street, as the place, when and where the committee on streets of this Common Council will meet for the purpose of hearing

on the merits of the same all parties interested in the application presented September 20th, 1859, of Edward Hope and others, to have Henderson street, between Newark avenue and Wayne street, raised to the established grade, and the city clerk is hereby instructed to publish in the corporation paper for the length of time required by the city charter notice of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on streets to whom was referred Oct. 4th, 1859, the petition of C F Durant to have Warren street from Montgomery to York street, and the intersections of Warren, York and Gregory streets filled and raised to the established grade, etc., presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That Thursday, November 10th, 1859, at 7½ o'clock p.m., is hereby appointed as the time, and the city clerk's office, No 23 Montgomery street, as the place, when and where the committee on streets of this Common Council will meet for the purpose of hearing on the merits of the same all parties interested in the application presented October 4th, 1859, of C F Durant to have Warren street from Montgomery to York street and the intersections of Warren, York and Gregory streets filled and raised to the established grade, the curb and gutter reset, the sidewalks raised to the established grade and flagged the whole width, and bridge stone crosswalks placed at all the intersections: and that the city clerk is hereby instructed to publish in the corporation paper for the length of time required by the city charter notice of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

The report was received and the resolution adopted,

The committee on streets, to whom was referred September 27th, 1859, the remonstrance of P H Zabriskie and others against the granting of permission by the Common Council to the Jersey City and Bergen Horse Railroad Company to lay rails through Grand street, presented a report thereon recommending that the said remonstrance be laid upon the table, for the reason that there is an ordinance now on the table in reference to that subject, etc.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The committee on streets who were requested by resolution, passed Oct. 11th, 1859, to report all papers, agreements, &c., entered into with A Love, for the removal of cobble stones, &c., presented a report in reference to that subject, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved—That the committee on streets be authorized to accept the proposal of Edward Coles, and to furnish the cobble stones, he on his part agreeing to do all the work, and furnish all other materials at his own expense necessary to paving of the streets on two sides of Hamilton square, said paving to be performed to the satisfaction of the committee on streets.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

Ald. Thurston, from the Committee on streets, presented four sealed proposals received by said committee, in answer to their advertisement for proposals for a contract to regulate, &c. Bright street, from Grove st. to Jersey street, including intersections, and on his motion the proposals were opened and read.

They were found to from Keeney & Halladay, Alexander Wilson, John Coar and James F Fielder. The proposals being accompanied by bonds for the fulfilment of contract if awarded.

On motion of Ald. Thurston, it was

Resolved—That the proposals of Keeney & Halladay, Alexander Wilson, John Coar and James F Fielder, received and read at this meeting of the Common Council for the contract to regulate, &c., Bright street, at a lawful width of 80 feet, from Grove street to Jersey st. including intersections, together with the bonds which accompanied the same be referred to the committee on streets, with authority to contract with the lowest bidder, if the committee deem it to the interests of the city so to do; and that the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and requested to execute under the corporate seal of the city, on the requisition of the committee on streets, such contract when awarded by said committee as shall have been prepared by the corporation attorney, and executed by the party or parties who shall have obtained the above-mentioned contract.

Ald Thurston, from the committee on streets, presented two sealed proposals received by them in answer to their advertisement for proposals for a contract to regulate Brunswick street from the northerly side of Railroad avenue to the southerly side of Newark avenue, and on his motion the proposals were opened and read.

They were found to be from Keeney & Halladay and James F Fielder.

The proposals being accompanied by bonds for the fulfilment of contract if awarded.

On motion of Ald Thurston it was

Resolved, That the proposals of Keeney & Halliday and James F Fielder received and read at this meeting of the Common Council for the contract to regulate, &c., Brunswick street, from the northerly side of Railroad avenue to the southerly side of Newark avenue, together with the bonds which accompanied the same, be referred to the committee on streets, with authority to contract with the lower of said bidders, if the committee deem it to the interests of the city so to do; and that the Mayor and city clerk are hereby authorized and requested to execute, under the corporate seal of the city, on the requisition of the committee on streets, such contract when awarded by said committee as shall have been prepared by the corporation attorney, and executed by the party who shall have obtained the above mentioned contract.

Ald McLaughlin, from the committee on fire and water, presented a deed from Emily Bliven for lot No 15 in block 202, referred to in the preamble and resolution passed on the 11th instant, and the deed was accepted, ordered recorded in the county clerk's office, and then filed in the comptroller's office.

The committee on police, to whom was referred on the 4th instant, the communication from his Honor the Mayor enclosing charges preferred by the Chief of Police against policeman John Thomson, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That all complaints hereafter made against policemen, as well as those already made and now pending before the Common Council, be referred to his Honor the Mayor, with full power to investigate such complaints and dispose of them without the action of the Common Council.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald Edge, Thurston and McLaughlin:

Yeas—Aldermen Clarke, Decker, Edge and McLaughlin.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Alderman Christie.

Ald. Hankins, from the committee on public grounds and Buildings, presented three sealed proposals received by said committee, in answer to their advertisement for proposals for a contract to furnish and put up in its proper place, complete for use, a fire alarm-bell, not to exceed four thousand pounds in weight; and on his motion the proposals were opened and read. They were found to be from A McLeely's Sons, J. L. Blackmore and John B Haight.

On motion of Ald. Hankins, it was

Resolved—That the proposals of A Meneely's Sons, J L Blackmore, and John B Haight, received and read at this meeting of the Common Council, for the contract to furnish and put up in its proper place, complete for use, a fire alarm-bell, not to exceed four thousand pounds in weight, be referred to the committee on public grounds and buildings, with authority to contract with the lowest bidder, if the committee deem it to the interests of the city so to do; and that the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and requested to execute under the corporate seal of the city, on the requisition of said committee on Public Grounds and Buildings, such contract, when awarded by said committee, as shall have been prepared by the Corporation Attorney, and executed by the party who shall have obtained the above-mentioned contract.

The following preamble and resolutions were offered by Ald Hardenberg:

Whereas, Stephen Whitney, of New York, is the holder of bonds Nos. 83 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101 and 102, originally issued to him March 18, 1856, for moneys borrowed of said Stephen Whitney to fund portion of Funded Debt,

And whereas said bonds became due and payable March 18, 1866.

And whereas said bonds bear interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum, and whereas said Stephen Whitney desires to exchange the same for the new coupon seven per cent. bonds. Therefore

Resolved—That the city comptroller be instructed to issue requisition for the interest due on said bonds to the 18th day of October, 1859.

Resolved—That when the said Stephen Whitney shall have deposited in the office of the city comptroller, said bonds as above described in the 1st preamble, the comptroller shall deliver to him a certificate that the said bonds as above described have been deposited by the said Stephen Whitney in his office, thereupon the committee on finance shall upon the delivery of such certificate to them, issue their requisition upon the Mayor and city clerk for twenty coupon bonds in the sum of one thousand dollars each, bearing interest at the rate

of seven per cent. per annum, said bonds to be dated October 18, 1852, and to be drawn payable in six years and five months from date.

Resolved—That the Mayor be requested, and the city clerk be instructed to sign, and the city comptroller to countersign said bonds, and the city treasurer to sign the coupons thereunto attached, *provided*, first however, that the city comptroller shall not countersign said new bonds until he shall first have marked upon each of said old bonds the words "cancelled by exchange for coupon six per cent. bonds."

The preamble and resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Pres Van Vorst and Ald Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—Ald Hoffman.

Absent—Ald Christie.

The following preamble and resolutions were offered by Ald Hardenbergh:

Whereas bond No 136 issued to Archibald McI. Henderson of Jersey City, in the sum of forty-five hundred dollars, for purchase money for lots for temporary city hall, station house and bell tower, said bond bearing date Feb. 1st, 1850, and drawn payable in fifteen years from date, with interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, has been by him assigned as per record thereon written "To James R Thompson, Guardian of Mrs Daniel G Elliott."

And whereas said James R Thompson, Guardian of said Mrs Daniel G Elliott, desires to exchange the same for the new coupon bonds, bearing interest at the rate of six per cent per annum. Therefore,

Resolved, That the city comptroller be and he is hereby authorized to issue a requisition for the amount of interest due on said bond to the 1st day of October 1850.

Resolved, That when the said James R Thompson, Guardian of Mrs Daniel G Elliott, shall have deposited in the office of the city comptroller bond No 136, originally issued to Archibald McI Henderson, the comptroller shall deliver to him a certificate that the said bond No 136 has been deposited by the said J R Thompson, Guardian of Mrs Daniel G Elliott, in his office, thereupon the committee on finance shall upon delivery of such certificate to them issue their requisition upon the Mayor and city clerk for four coupon bonds, in the sum of one thousand dollars each, with interest at the rate of six per cent per annum. Said bonds to be dated October 1st, 1850, and to be drawn payable in fourteen years and four months from the date hereof.

Resolved, That for the balance which shall be due upon bond No 136, after the issue of four coupon bonds in the sum of one thousand dollars each, the committee on finance shall issue their requisition upon the Mayor and city clerk for a city bond of the old form in the sum of five hundred dollars, with interest at the rate of six per cent per annum. Said bond to be dated October 1st, 1850, and to be drawn payable in fourteen years and four months from the date thereof.

Resolved, That the Mayor be requested and the city clerk be instructed to sign, and the city comptroller to countersign said bonds, and the city treasurer to sign the coupons of the four coupon bonds ordered by these resolutions: provided first, however, that the comptroller shall not countersign said new bond or bonds until he shall first have marked upon said old bond No 136 the words "cancelled by exchange for coupon bonds."

The preamble and resolution were adopted by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Pres Van Vorst and Ald Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nay—Ald Hoffman.

Absent—Ald Christie.

The following preamble and resolutions were offered by Ald Hardenbergh:

Whereas John Van Vorst is the holder of city bond No. 111, issued to him for Loan for the purpose of erecting a truck-house in the 4th Ward, said bond bearing date Oct. 27th, 1853, and drawn payable in fifteen years from the date thereof, and whereas the said John Van Vorst dsires to exchange the same for the new six per cent. coupon bonds. Therefore

Resolved—That the city comptroller be instructed to issue requisition for the interest due on said bond, to the 27th day of October, 1850.

Resolved—That when the said John Van Vorst shall have deposited in the office of the city comptroller said bond, as described in the 1st preamble, the comptroller shall deliver to him a certificate that the said bond, as above described, has been deposited by the said John Van Vorst in his office, thereupon the committee on finance shall, upon the delivery of such certificate to them, issue their requisition upon the Mayor and city clerk, for two six per cent. coupon bonds, in the sum of one thousand dollars each, said bonds to be dated Oct. 27th, 1850, and to be drawn payable in twelve years from date.

Resolved—That the Mayor be requested, and the city clerk be instructed to sign, and the city comptroller to countersign said bond, and the city treasurer to sign the coupons thereunto attached, provided first, however, that the city comptroller shall not countersign said new bonds, until he shall first have marked upon said old bond the words "cancelled by exchange for six per cent. coupon bonds.

The preamble and resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nay—Ald Hoffman.

Absent—Ald Christie.

The following resolutions were offered by Ald Tilden and adopted:

Be it Resolved, That this Board deem it inexpedient and injudicious to notify the Board of water commissioners to construct any sewer, not to be constructed strictly in conformity with the plan heretofore adopted and referred to in an act of the Legislature of New Jersey entitled "a further supplement to an act to authorize the construction of works for the supplying of Jersey City and places adjacent with pure and wholesome water," approved March twenty-fifth, eighteen hundred and fifty-two. Until the decision of the Supreme Court shall have been obtained in the certiorari heretofore brought by Isaac I Vanderbeek and others, in relation to the sewer commonly known as the Wayne street sewer, and in which it is expected that principles in relation to sewerage in Jersey City will be fully discussed.

And whereas the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City had recently had served upon them a rule out of the Supreme Court of New Jersey to show cause why a mandamus should not issue commanding them to construct a sewer in Newark avenue, as applied for by Charles F Durant and G orge McLaughlin.

Now therefore, be it Resolved, That the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City now refuse the application referred to in the rule aforesaid, in addition to the reasons assigned in report of committee on sewers, upon the ground that much doubt exists as to the construction of the act above named, and that the Common Council have deemed and do still deem it exceedingly imprudent to order the construction of a sewer at all at variance with the plan aforesaid, until the decision of the certiorari brought by Isaac Vanderbeek shall have been rendered, and that such is the cause why the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City refuse to grant the application of the prosecutors in the rule to show cause hereinbefore mentioned.

And be it Resolved, That the corporation attorney be requested to submit this resolution to the supreme court as a part of the return to the said rule.

Ald Thurston, from the committee on streets, presented a certificate of J B and D E Culver, city surveyors, setting forth that A B Reynolds is entitled to 1400 on his contract for the improvent of Newark ave from Warren street to Jersey avenue.

The certificate was received.

The following resolution was offered by Ald Thurston:

Resolved, That an improvement certificate be issued under the direction of the committee on finance in favor of Adrian B Reynolds for one thousand four hundred dollars, on account of his contract for the improvement of Newark avenue, from Warren street to Jersey avenue, and that his Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the city clerk be directed to affix the seal of the city thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Ald Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald Christie.

Ald Thurston, from the committee on streets, presented a certificate of J B and D E Culver, city surveyors, setting forth that James F Fielder is entitled to payment of $1000 on his contract for the improvement of Coles street from South 2d to South 4th streets.

The certificate was received.

The following resolution was offered by Ald Thurston

Resolved, That an improvement certificate be issued under the direction of the committee on finance in favor of James F Fielder for one thousand dollars on account

of his contract for the improvement of Coles street from South 2d street to South 4th street, and that his Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the city clerk be directed to affix the seal of the city thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Ald Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald Christie.

The following resolution was offered by Ald Tilden and adopted :

Resolved, That the returns for unpaid assessments for constructing sewers in South 5th street, Wayne St, Newark avenue, Railroad avenue and Grand street, with laterals, be placed in the hands of the collector of assessments for collection.

On motion of Ald Earle, the resolution reported by the special committee, October 4th, 1859, in reference to the claim of Alexander Love for removing cobble stones, amounting to $1837, was taken up for consideration viz :

Resolved, That Mr. Alexander Love be paid in lieu of all claims hitherto presented to this common council for removing cobble stones from Hudson, Montgomery street and Newark avenue, the sum of $924 24.

The resolution was rejected by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald Hoffman :

Yeas—Ald Brown, Clarke, Decker, Hoffman, McBride and Tilden.

Nays—Pres Van Vorst and Ald Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Ald Christie.

Ald Thurston moved that a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of A Love for eighteen hundred and thirty-seven dollars for amount of claim presented September 6th, 1859, for removing cobble stones, &c.

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald Thurston :

Yeas—Pres Van Vorst and Ald Earle, Edge, Hankins, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Nays—Ald Brown, Clarke, Decker, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride and Tilden.

Absent—Ald Christie.

On motion of Ald Earle the Board proceeded to the appointment of a policeman for the 1st ward.

Ballotings were had which resulted as follows :

Ald Warner and Earle were appointed and acted as tellers.

First balloting—

Stephen E Gough received six votes.

Wm Reen recived five votes.

Anthony O'Connor received one vote.

Gardner received one vote.

Two blanks were cast.

Second balloting—

Stephen E Gough received eight votes.

William Reen received six votes.

One blank was cast.

Third balloting—

Stephen E Gough received nine votes.

Wm Reen received six votes.

Whereupon Stephen E Gough having received the requisite number of votes was declared appointed a policeman for the 1st ward.

On motion of Ald Hankins the following entitled ordinance presented July 20, 1858, and laid upon the table, was taken up for consideration, viz :

"An ordinance defining the duties of the Board of Fire Wardens."

The ordinance was amended and again laid upon the table.

On motion of Ald Tilden the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, city clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council chamber, Tuesday, Oct. 25th, 1859, at half-past 7 o'clock, p.m.

Present—Pres't Van Vorst and Ald Brown, Christie, Clarke, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Ald Decker and Earle were absent at the calling of the roll, but subsequently appeared and took their seats.

Absent—Ald Edge.

The minutes of the regular meeting of Oct. 18, 1859, were read and approved.

A petition of Wm. J. Stevens to be appointed bell-ringer for Station-house tower bell, was presented, received, and referred to committee on fire and water.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of Wm. B. Dunning, $285 00; Stephen Quaife, $44 10 $15 21 and $8 00.

Referred to committee on finance.

Of Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Co. $43 62; W. J. Stephens, $12, and Jam.s O'Brian, $5 20. Referred to committee on fire and water.

Of Thomas Howe, $55 08, and Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Co. $1 88.

Referred to committee on public grounds and Buildings.

Of Alex. Love, $57 25. Referred to committee on streets.

Of Isaac S Miller, $21 91. Referred to committee on alms.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Co. $1,241 62; Jas Flemming, $500; J V Hardenbergh, $300; David Belford, $200; W B Dunning, $200; Philo. Snow $150 P D Vroom, $125; Nathaniel Ellis, $125; Isaac Wakefield, $69 42; Samuel Cassedy, $15 63, and I S Miller, 75 cents.

The following claims and accounts, presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board, were reported correct and ordered paid, viz.:

Of Ward & McGown $141 90; Samuel A French $31 55; Ward and McGown $20 61 S W Treadwell $9 50; Wm B Dunning $3 50 David Bedford $2, and R B Kashow 50 cents.

A communication was presented from his Honor the Mayor enclosing the re-signation of Benjamin G Hann as an aid to the chief of police.

The communication was received and the resignation accepted and ordered filed.

A communication was presented from Edward Goles, city surveyor, in answer to resolution passed September 27, 1859, averaging the assessment upon certain lots for regulating Bay street, between Prospect and Grove streets.

The communication was received and referred to the committee on finance.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of applications on the 6th September, 1859, by Joseph McCoy and others for the construction of a main brick sewer from the terminus of the brick sewer corner of Montgomery and Grove streets, to connect with the brick sewer corner of Grand and Grove streets, and on the 4th of October, 1859, by Charles Fink and others for the construction of a lateral sewer in York street, between Grove street and Jersey avenue to connect with the main sewer in Grove street, as applied for by Joseph McCoy and others, and the same was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk laid before the Board the assessor's tax list of the 2d and 3d wards, and the same were received and ordered filed in the city clerk's office.

The committee on fire and water, who were instructed by resolution passed May 18, 1859, to raise the roof of Hook and Ladder House No 2, if necessary, presented a report in reference thereto submitting the whole matter to the Board for their action.

The report was received and laid upon the table, subsequently it was taken up and ordered filed.

The committee on sewers, to whom was referred Oct. 4th, 1859, the petition of Joseph McCoy and others for the construction of a main brick sewer from the terminus of the brick sewer corner Montgomery and Grove streets, to connect with the brick sewer corner of Grand and Grove streets, with all the necessary culverts, receiving basins, &c., and at the same date the petition of Charles Fink and others, owners of property on York street, between Grove street and Jersey avenue, for the construction of a lateral sewer in York street, between said Grove street and Jersey avenue, to connect with the main sewer in Grove street, as applied for by Joseph McCoy and others, and also the estimate and description of the Board of water commissioners in reference to said sewers, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, on the sixth day of September, eighteen hundred and fifty-nine, application was made to the Common Council of Jersey City by Joseph McCay and others, for the construction of a main brick sewer, from the terminus of the brick sewer corner of Montgomery and Grove sts., to connect with the brick s[illegible] of Grand and Grove sts, with all the ne[illegible] and receiving basins to connect therewith, [illegible]

Whereas, on the fourth day of October, eight hundred and fifty-nine, application was made to the Common Council of Jersey City by Charles Fink (per J D Beers) and others, owners of property on York street, between Grove st and Jersey st, for the construction of a lateral sewer in York street, between said Grove st and Jersey st, to connect with the main sewer in Grove street, as applied for Sept. 6th, 1859, by Joseph McCoy and others, and

Whereas, an estimate has been furnished by the Board of Water Commissioners [illegible] constructing said sewers, with all the [illegible] culverts, receiving-basins, &c., and a descr[illegible] assessed for the same, and a time and place [illegible] viz. Thursday, October 20th, 1859, at half-past four o'clock p.m., at the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery st. was appointed by your honorable body, to be and before your committee on sewers, of all parties interested in the said applications on the merits of the same, due notice of which appointment of a time and place of hearing was published by the City Clerk, for over ten days prior to said date (being longer than the time required by law,) as will appear by the report of that officer, presented to you at this meeting, and also by the printer's proof of publication, which has been filed in the office of the City Clerk, which said notice included the before mentioned estimate and description furnished by the Board of Water Commissioners, and

Whereas the committee on sewers of the Common Council did meet at the time and place, and for the purpose named in the before-mentioned notice of said and place for a hearing, at which meeting all the committee were present, and but two parties before said committee and made objections to construction of said sewers, whose objections are [illegible] ed by this Common Council sufficiently valid to defeat the wishes of the petitioners, and of the owners of property to be assessed for the construction of said sewers, with their laterals, culverts, receiving-basins, &c. Therefore

Resolved that a main brick sewer be constructed from the terminus of the brick sewer [illegible] Montgomery and Grove sts, to connect with the [illegible] sewer corner of Grand and Grove streets, with all [illegible] cessary culverts and receiving-basins to connect [illegible] with; and that a lateral sewer be constructed in York street, between said Grove street and Jersey street, to connect with the said main sewer in Grove street; said sewers to be constructed with all the necessary culverts, receiving basins, &c., and to conform to the general plan of sewerage proposed by the Water Commissioners, and adopted by the "Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City, and the printed notice and place for a hearing; and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to notify the Board of Water Commissioners of this decision or determination of the Common Council in favor of the construction of the sewers, with their laterals, culverts, receiving-basins, &c., described in this preamble and resolution, and in the above referred to estimate and description furnished by the Board of Water Commissioners to this Common Council, on the fourth day of Oct., eighteen hundred and fifty-nine.

The report was received.

The preamble and resolution were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Pres Van Vorst and Ald Brown, Christie, Clarke, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald Decker, Earle and Edge.

The committee on licenses, to whom was referred, October 18th, 1859, the petition of Michael Coren for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to Michael Coren, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Ald Hardenbergh:

Resolved, That the committee on finance, for the purpose of meeting the current demands upon the treasury

of the city, be instructed to borrow, in anticipation of the [illegible], the sum of ten thousand dollars, and that upon the requisition of the committee on finance a bond or bonds of the city be issued by the Mayor and city clerk, said bond or bonds, to be dated October 26, 1859, and to be drawn payable December 20th, 1859, with interest at the rate of 7 per cent. per annum. Resolved that the Mayor be requested and the city clerk instructed to sign the same and attach the seal of the city thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Pres Van Vorst and Ald Brown, Christie, Clarke, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald Decker, Earle and Edge.

The following resolution was offered by Ald Brown and adopted :

Resolved, That the claim of Wm B Dunning for two hundred dollars ($200) be taken from the table and ordered paid :

The following resolution was offered by Ald McBride :

Resolved, That the committee on fire and water be authorized to advertise for proposals to have the roof raised and such other repairs made as in the judgment of the committee are necessary, on the house of Americus Hook and Ladder Co No 2, in Erie street.

The resolution was laid upon the table, but subsequently taken up and adopted.

Ald Earle appeared and took his seat.

The following resolution was offered by Ald Hardenbergh and adopted :

Resolved—That the City Clerk be instructed to place in the hands of the Chief Engineer the copies of Fire Ordinances ordered published, in order that the same may be distributed amongst the members of the Fire Department, provided first, however, that 100 copies of said pamphlets shall be placed in the office of the city clerk, for the use of the members of the Board.

The following resolution was offered by Ald Hardenberg and adopted :

Resolved—That the committee on public grounds and buildings be instructed to advertise for proposals for two heaters and a range, for Station-house and Bell-tower.

On motion of Ald Hankins the Board proceeded to the appointment of an aid to the chief of police.

Ald Hankins and Clarke were appointed and acted as tellers.

Two ballotings were had as follows :

First balloting—

John A Van Voorhis received four votes.
Jarvis L Ayres received six votes.
Carroll received one vote.
Two blanks were cast.

Second balloting—

Jarvis L. Ayres received six votes.
John A Van Voorhis received six votes.
Carroll received one vote.
One blank was cast.

On motion of Ald Thurston further balloting was dispensed with.

On motion of Ald Thurston the vote was reconsidered by which on the 18th inst the following resolution was adopted.

Resolved—That Thursday, November 10th, 1859, at half-past 7 o'clock, p.m., is hereby appointed as the time, and the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street as the place when and where the committee on streets of this Common Council will meet, for the purpose of hearing on the merits of the same all parties interested in the application presented April 19, 1859, and referred to the committee on streets, July 26, 1859, of Thomas Royle and others, to have the sidewalks in front of lots numbered nine (9), eleven (11), twenty-one (21) and twenty-three (23), on block numbered two (2), as the same is laid down on a map of Jersey City, made by A Clerk and R C Bacot, City Surveyors in the year 1848, refilled, flagged four feet wide, and the curb and gutter reset; and that the City Clerk is hereby instructed to publish in the corporation paper, for the length of time required by the city charter, notice of the appointment of the above-named time and place for a hearing.

On motion of Alderman Thurston the resolution was amended by striking out the words "November 10th," and inserting in their place the words "November 17th," and the resolution as amended was adopted.

On motion of Ald Thurston the vote was reconsidered, by which on the 18th inst. the following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That Thursday, November 10th, 1859, at 7½ o'clock p.m., is hereby appointed as the time, and the city clerk's office, No 23 Montgomery street, as the place, when and where the committee on streets of this Common Council will meet for the purpose of hearing on the merits of the same all parties interested in the application presented October 4th, 1859, of C F Durant to have Warren street from Montgomery to York street and the intersections of Warren, York and Gregory streets filled and raised to the established grade, the curb and gutter reset, the sidewalks raised to the established grade and flagged the whole width, and bridge stone crosswalks placed at all the intersections : and that the city clerk is hereby instructed to publish in the corporation paper for the length of time required by the city charter notice of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

On motion of Alderman Thurston, the resolution was amended by striking out the words "*November 10th*," and inserting in their place the words "*November 17th*," and the resolution as amended was adopted.

Ald Decker appeared and took his seat.

Ald Thurston moved,

That the vote be rescinded by which a resolution was adopted at the last meeting, directing the sewer lists to be placed in the hands of the Collector of Assessments for collection. The motion was rejected.

On motion of Ald Tilden the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council chamber, Tuesday, Nov. 1st, 1859, at half past 7 o'clock, p.m.

Present—Pres Van Vorst and Ald Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Ald Edge, Hoffman and McLaughlin.

The minutes of the regular meeting of Oct 25, 1859, were read and approved.

Petitions were presented, received and disposed of as follows :

Of Matthew McKiernan to be appointed a policeman. Referred to committee on police.

Of Thomas D. Jordan and John Coar, for the construction of a lateral sewer in Bright srteet, to connect with the proposed sewer in Grove st, and run from thence through Bright st to Jersey st, to be constructed according to the general plan of sewerage. Referred to committee on sewers.

Of W. C. Taylor, Agent of the N. Y. & Erie Railroad, asking for the appointment of Seth Geer as a policeman, to be detailed for special duty at their depot, and to receive his compensation from said company, and not from the city.

The petition was laid upon the table, but subsequently taken up, the rule requiring a balloting was suspended, and the following resolution presented by Ald Brown, and unanimously adopted :

Resolved—That Seth Geer be appointed policeman, with all the powers conferred upon the city police, provided that the city shall not pay him any salary for service rendered.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows, viz :

Of James S. Noyes, $4,534 58; Hugh Keenan, $145 62 I B & D E Culver, $131 50, and $130 20; John Coar, $40 50; Wm Moore, $30; James S Noyes, $17 65, and John W Fouquet & Co, $15. Referred to committee on streets.

Of Drayton & Durant $80 02; Matthew Erwin, $75 63, and Hugh Reilly, $31 38. Referred to committee on alms.

Of Police Department, $1319 14, and J F Richardson, $12 12. Referred to committee on police.

Of David Bedford, $13, and Henry A Greene, $11 28. Referred to committee on public grounds and buildings.

Of J F Richardsnn, $42 50. Referred to committee on lamps.

Of Stephen Quaife, $37 80. Referred to committee on finance.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appointed committees, afterwards reported correct, and ordered paid, viz :

Of Wm. Whitley, $150; Fidelity Division, $75; Jasper Waudle, $31 25 and $31 25; S A French, $23 15, and Jeremiah M Clark, $5 51.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committee at former meetings of the Board were reported correct, and ordered paid, viz :

Of Thomas Howe, $55 08; R B Kashow, $27 17; Isaac S Miller, $21 91; R B Kashow, $6 88, $6 03, $5 88, $3 75 and $3 50; Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Co, $1 88, and R B Kashow, $1 55.

The City Treasurer's report, showing a balance in the treasury Oct 31, 1859, of $3,746 51, was presented, received and ordered filed.

A report by the Inspector and sealer of weights and measures was presented, received, and ordered filed

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "Application to have the south side of Grand st, from Grove st to Barrow st, including intersections, refilled to the established grade, paved, etc, and the sidewalk on the south side aforesaid refilled and reflagged." The report was received and ordered filed.

A communication was presented from the collector of Arrears of Taxes, inclosing a letter from John D. Ward, in reference to the collection of arrearages of sewer assessments.

The communication and letter were referred to the committee on finance.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, enclosing returns of the following election in and resignation and expulsion from said department, confirmed by the commissioners of the Fire Department.

Election of Frederick Newcomb by Hose Co. No 3.

Resignation of Wm. H Tufts, from Hose Co. No. 3.

Expulsion of Richard Ramsey, from Hook and Ladder Co. No. 2.

The communications were received, and the action of the commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department was approved and confirmed.

The committee on lamps, who were instructsd by resolution passed Oct. 11, 1859, to enter into a contract with the Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Co, to light the city with gas, provided first that such contract shall be reported to the common council, and be approved by the Mayor and common council before it shall become binding on them, reported a draft of contract with said company.

The draft of contract was laid upon the table, and ordered to be printed in the corporation paper.

The committee on lamps to whom was referred Oct. 11, 1859, the petition of Francis Hill and others, for the erection of a lamp or lamps on South 4th st, near Newark ave, presented a report thereon setting forth that the committee "deem it inexpedient to grant, at the present time, the prayer of the petitioners." The report was received and adopted.

Thhe committee on public grounds and buildings, to whom was referred Aug. 2, 1859, the communication from E B Wakeman, stating that hie mother is ill, and is much annoyed by the noise of boys and children in the northeast section of Washington sq, and asking that the said section may be closed for the present, presented a report thereon setting forth "that the square is closed." The report was received.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Ald Hardenbergh and adopted :

Whereas, a claim of Terence Bierne against the Mayor and common council has been by him assigned to Geo. S Gardner, and whereas, said Geo S Gardner has instituted suit against the said the Mayor and common council for amount of said claim, $

And whereas, said claim was by resolution of common council, referred to referees; and whereas, said report of said referees was not accepted by the said the Mayor and common council.

And whereas, it has been stated by the City Attorney that it would be better on the part of the city to have the same compromised, and whereas the said Geo S Gardner, the present owner of the said claim, asserts his willingness to a fair compromise; now therefore be it

Resolved—That a suitable person be named by the committee on public grounds and buildings, together with a suitable person to be named by the said Geo S Gardner, shall act as referee in the adjudication of the claim with his Honor the Mayor of the city, and that the said the Mayor and common council do hereby agree to submit to the amount as adjudicated by them, provided the said Geo S Gardner shall give his consent in writing to the Mayor, also to abide by the decision, and to take as a final payment in full for all demands and costs in the case the said amount thus adjudicated by them in settlement.

The following resolution was offered by Ald Hankins and dopted :

Resolved—That a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of Stephen Quaife, for seventy-five dollars, and the Mayor and city clerk be and are hereby requested to sign the same, this being the third payment as per contract for superintending the erection of School House in Third Ward.

On motion of Ald Tilden the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council chamber, Tuesday, Nov. 8th, 1859, at half past 7 o'clock, p. m.

In the absence of the City Clerk Ald Hardenbergh was appointed City Clerk, pro tempore.

Present—Ald Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, Ogden, Thurston and Tilden.

Absent—Pres Van Vorst and Ald Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Edge, Hoffman, McLaughlin, and Warner.

Less than a quorum being present at half-past eight o'clock, p.m., on motion of Ald Tilden the Board then adjourned.

A. A. HARDENBERGH,
City Clerk pro. tem.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday November 15th, 1859, at 7½ o'clock, p. m.

In the absence of the President, the Board was called to order by the City Clerk.

Present—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Earle Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden, Warner

Absent—President Van Vorst and Alderman Edge.

Aldermen Decker and McLaughlin were absent at the calling of the roll, but subsequently appeared and took their seats.

In the absence of the President, on motion of Ald Tilden, Alderman Thurston was appointed President pro tempore.

The minutes of the regular meetings of the 1st and 8th inst. were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Petition of Enos A. Skillman and Andrew H. DeWitt to have refunded purchase money of lots bought by them at sale on the 25th March 1857, for Mercer street assessment, &c.

Referred to committee on finance.

Petition of Michael Craven for privilege to redeem his lot No. 86 Steuben street, block 51, S. W. Smith's map, sold September 10, 1857, to city treasurer for Warren street assessment. Referred to committee on finance.

Petition of Adrian B. Reynolds and others to have Joseph W. Strobr appointed Bell Ringer.

Referred to committee on salaries, offices and elections.

Petition of John Corrigan to be recompensed for portion of his land on Newark Avenue which he alleges has been taken from him by the city.

Referred to committee on laws and ordinances.

Petition of John Condon to be reimbursed for expenses attending Jeremiah Sullivan, who was stabbed on the night of November 2d inst.

Referred to committee on alms.

Petition of E. B Wakeman and others to have the carriage way of York street for about two hundred feet west of Greene street, repaired, &c.

Referred to committee on streets.

Petition of Ira Clark to have a receiving basin constructed at the south east corner of York and Warren streets.

Referred to Board of Water Commissioners with instructions to furnish the estimate and description prescribed by the Sewer ordinance.

Communication from Charles J. Smith proposing to sell to the city the lot in Warren street between Steuben and Morgan street, occupied by engine house No. 3.

Referred to committee on fire and water.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as fellows, viz:

Of Cornelius Van Buskirk $43 00; C. N. Lockwood $40 00; Japhet Jardine $28 00; Charles H. O. Neil $4 25 and W. B. Dunning $0 75 cts.

Referred to committee on fire and water.

Of Alexander Love $75 00; Joseph B. Stone $60 00 S. & J. H. Keeney $5) 22 and the Young Men's Christian Association $30 00.

Referred to committee on public grounds and buildings.

Of Joseph H. Rommel $50 00; Barton T. Bodine $28 35 and Thomas Howe $5 00.

Referred to committee on salaries, offices and elections.

Of H. Goetschius $50 13; A. B. Reynolds $45 80; Mrs. Ann Eaton $13 00 and Hugh Billingsley $12 00; referred to committee on lamps

Of Ward & McGown $135 60 and Thomas Gafney $8.

Referred to committee on alms.

Of W. B. Dunning $10 75 and $3 50. Referred to committee on finance.

Of A. O. Zabriskie $140 00. Referred to committee on laws and ordinances.

Of H. Goetschins $11 53. Referred to committee on police.

Of Adrian B Reynolds $1400 and James F. Fielder $4 48. Referred to committee on streets.

Of Adrian B. Reynolds $5494 45, accompanied by a certificate of I. B & D. E. Culver, City Surveyors.

Referred to committee on streets, which committee subsequently reported the following preamble and resolution.

Whereas, Messrs. I. B. & D. E. Culver have certified that $5494 45 is due Adrian B. Reynolds on his contract for laying Belgian payment, therefore

Resolved, That the finance committee be requested to issue requisition on the Mayor and City Clerk for 5 coupon bonds of $1000 each, with interest at rate of 6 per cent. per annum, and that the Mayor and City Clerk be requested to issue the same under the corporate seal of the city.

The preamble and resolution were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Pres. Van Vorst, Ald. Edge.

The following claims and accounts were presented received and referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Nathaniel Ellis $33 17; James McLaughlin $108, 88 and John M. Fouquet & Co. $10 00.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz;

Of Police Department $1319 14; W. B. Dunning $285 00; Keeney & Halladay $253 00; Drayton & Durant $80 02; Mathew Erwin $75 63; Stephen Quaife $44. 10; Jersey City & Hoboken Gas Light Co. $43 62; W. B. Dunning $42 55; J. F. Richardson $42 50; John Coar $40 50; Stephen Quaife $37 80; Hugh Reilly $31. 38; James Flemming $30 00; John V. Brower $30 00; George McLaughlin $30 00; James S. Noyes $17 65; Stephen Quaife $15 21; David Bedford $13 00; J. F. Richardson $12 12; W. J. Stephens $1 00; Henry A. Greene $11 28; Stephen Quaife $8 00; James O. Brien $5 20 and W. B. Dunning $4 00.

A communication was presented from His Honor the Mayor enclosing a report of the Chief of Police of articles and money in his possession on the 4th of November instant.

The communication and report were referred to the committee on police.

The Recorder's report for the quarter ending October 31, 1859 was presented, received and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

Said report being as follows:

To the Honorable the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City:

In compliance with the duty imposed upon me by the 2d section of an ordinance prescribing the duties of the Recorder, passed February 3d, 1852, I do most respectfully submit unto your honorable Body the following report of persons arrested by the Police, and of fines and penalties received by me for the quarter ending October 31st, 1859.

In the month of August seventy-nine persons were arrested and disposed of as follows:

5	fined $2 each—$10.	
11	committed to	the City Prison.
8	do	County Workhouse.
6	do	County Jail.
9	held to bail.	
38	discharged.	
2	escaped from City Prison.	

In the month of September one hundred and fifteen persons were arrested and disposed of as follows, viz.:

17	fined $2 each—$34.	
1	fined $10—$10.	
20	committed to	the City Prison.
13	do	County Workhouse,
10	do	County Jail.
12	held to bail.	
42	discharged.	

In the month of October one hundred and twenty-one persons was arrestrd and disposed of as follows, viz:—

8	fined $2 each—$16.	
1	fined $5—$5.	
2	fined $10 each—$20.	
12	committed to City Prison.	
24	do	County Workhouse.
14	do	County Jail.
17	held to bail.	
43	discharged.	

The total amount of fines received during the quarter ending October 31st, 1859, being ninety-five dollars. I have paid the same to the City Treasurer.

All of which is respectfully submitted.
DAVID BEDFORD, Recorder.

The report of the Superintendent of the Alms House and Overseer of the Poor, for the quarter ending October 31st 1859, was presented, received and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

Said report being as follows :

To the Honorable the Mayor and Common Council.

Gentlemen : The Superintendent of the Almshouse respectfully presents to your Honorable Body his quarterly Report, ending October 31st, 1859 :

The number remaining in the Almshouse on the 1st of August, 1859, were, male adults,	14
Female adults	18
Children	30
Admitted into the institution from August 1st to October 31st, 1859, were	
Male adults	9
Female adults	23
Children	28
Total number	122

The following statement will show the number discharged from and died in the institution within the above period.

Male adults	5
Female adults	20
Children	23
Male adults died	1
Children	3
Total	52
Remaining in the institution Oct. 31st, 1859 :	70

The expenses of the department within the above period was on the following account :

Groceries and provisions	$359 31
Shoes and findings	12 92
Dry Goods	38 03
Wood	8 00
Soap	12 50
Interments	22 50
Straw for beds	4 75
Stationery	2 63
Horse, cow and pig feed	44 04
Incidental expenses	41 84
Total	$546 52
Amount of money received by Sup't	13 50
Total amount	$533 02

The male inmates are employed in picking rope which don't amount to much ; they are willing to do all they can. At present we manufacture all the shoes that are required in the institution.

The females are employed in making and mending garments for all of the inmates and doing the housework in general.

I feel in hopes before long to see the institution located upon a farm, when instead of expense, it will be a revenue to our city and be a benefit to the inmates.

Our worthy and ever attentive Committee on Alms are making all necessary inquiry to effect that object, that I am so well convinced by past experience will be a great benefit to all concerned.

All of which is respectfully submitted.
WM. WHITLEY, Superintendent.

Jersey City, November 1st, 1859.

To the Honorable the Mayor and Common Council :

Gentlemen : The Overseer of the Poor respectfully presents to your Honorable Body his quarterly Report ending October 31st, 1859, from which it will appear that 285 adults and 25 children have been relieved with groceries, provisions, &c.

The expenses of the department has been on the following account :	$344 09
Donations in groceries and provisions	$275 09
Transportation of paupers	53 00
Interments	16 00
Total,	$344 09

In the distribution of the charities of the city, I have acted with the view to the best interest of all concerned in an economical distribution of the public money in relieving the pressing necessities of the distressed, and in this course I hope I have the approbation of the Mayor and Common Council, and the community in general.

All of which is respectfully submitted.
WM. WHITLEY, Superintendent.

Jersey City, November 1st, 1859.

The report of the Chief of Police for the quarter ending October 31, 1859, was presented, received and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

Said report being as follows :

Quarterly Report of Jacob Z. Marinus, Chief of Police, from August 1st to November 1st, 1859.

To the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City :

Crimes.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Total.
Drunk and disorderly,	22	38	48	108
Disorderly conduct,	2	5	2	9
Keeping disorderly house,			1	1
Drunkenness,	13	18	11	42
Larceny,				
Attempt at larceny,	2			2
Suspicion of larceny,				
Suspicion of burglary,	1			1
Picking pockets,		2		2
Entering house, intent to steal,				
Attempt to kill,	1	2	1	4
Attempt to rob,			1	1
Assault and battery	13	7	14	34
Threatening life,		3	2	5
Wife beating,	3	3		6
Interfering with officers		1	1	2
Violating city ordinances,	1		3	4
Asssault,	4	1	2	7
Loose characters,			3	3
Assaulting officers,	2	1	2	5
Fighting,	3	6	3	12
Breaking jail,			1	1
Insanity,			3	3
Vagrancy,	1		2	3
Attempt set fire to dwelling house	1	1		2
Committing rape,			1	1
Suspicion of stealing,	1	7	3	11
Stealing.	5	13	9	27
Passing counterfeit money,		1		1
Drunkeaness and vagrancy,		7	6	13
	75	116	119	310

Birth Place of those Arrested.

United States,	71	France,	3
England,	13	Scotland,	3
Ireland,	202	Other parts,	3
Germany,	15	Total,	310

Ages.—2 to 10, 5 ; 10 to 20, 48 ; 20 to 30, 148 ; 30 to 40, 65 ; 40 to 50, 31 ; 50 to 60, 10 ; 60 to 70, 3 ; 70 to 80, 0. Total, 310.

That can read and write,			129
Cannot read and write,			181
Total,			310
With trade,			225
No trade,			85
Total,			310

Color, white,	300	Male,	260
Black,	10	Female,	50
Total,	310	Total,	310
Married,			152
Single,			158
Total,			310

Number of children lost, found and returned to their parents, 38.

Number of Arrests made by each Officer.

Name of Officer.	Aug.	Sept.	Oc.	Total.
Thomas Calhoun,	2	4	2	8
Joseph Carroll,	4	8	6	18
Stephen Bennett,	4	5	7	16
Francis Valade,	2	4	3	9
Jonathan H. Baldwin,	2	6	2	10
Bernard Harney,	1	5	5	11
Martin Ward,	3	4	2	9
John O'Donnell,	2	4	6	13
Michael Kilcauley,	3	11	3	17
Julian F. Chazotte,	5	0	4	9
John Murphy,	1	9	4	14
James Mann,	5	8	8	21
James Mould,	1	6	4	11
Daniel McNamara.	4	2	5	11
Alfred Berry,	1	0	1	2
Jarvis L. Ayres,	4	5	2	11
Philo L. Snow,	4	3	2	9
Michael McLaughlin,	5	2	5	12
Patrick Jorden,	4	3	7	14
Robbins Holloway,	0	1	0	1
Daniel Babingtonton,	1	0	0	1
William Daley,	2	6	5	13
John W. Sandford,	1	2	2	5
John A. Van Voorhis,	2	1	1	4
John D. Thomson,	0	1	0	1
James P. Wheeler,	4	1	0	5
Ira Smith,	2	5	5	12
William Reen,	0	3	2	5
Martin V. Rose,	0	0	3	3
Thomas S. Robbins,	0	0	3	3
Stephen E. Gough,	0	0	0	0
Jacob Z. Marinus, Chief,	3	4	8	15

Benjamin G. Hanmaid,	0	0	0	0
John Ayres, Aid,	0	2	0	2
John G. Haybeck,	3	0	2	5
Old Thurten,	0	0	1	1
C. W. Chase,	0	0	1	1
	75	116	110	310

Cash taken, $88 44
Cash retained from Mrs. Brady from the last quarter and returned in full, 8 00
Balance on hand from last quarter, 4 30

92 74

Cash returned, 88 44
Cash on hand, 4 30

92 74

Bal. on hand, which I shall hand over to the Mayor, $4 30

Other Property Taken.—Books, 1; Knives 6; Keys 3; Canes 1; Bundles 1; Silk cape and muslin do. 2; Watches 2; Chains 1; Pocket books 1; Yarne hank 1; Hand organ and monkey 1; Dresses 3; Pillow cases 2; Shirts 4; Thimble 1; Piece of merino 1; carpet bags 4; Shawls 2. All of which has been returned to the owners except 2 capes which will be handed over to the Mayor, with other property in my possesion according to Section 9 of the Police Ordinance.

Number of lodgers accommodated from August 1st to November 1st, 1859, 1072
With trades, 410
No trades, 622

1072

Nativity of Lodgers.

United States,	163	Germany,	195
England,	129	France,	27
Ireland,	538	Other parts,	25
Scotland,	65	Total,	1072

Male,	966
Female,	106
Total,	1072

Property on hand reported, and to be sent to the Alms-house by order of his Honor the Mayor, 4 bundles containing clothing, books 5; portmonies 4; razors 3; knives 9; dirk 1; punch 1; bundles of paper 2; capes 6; piece of musquito netting; 1 black silk cape, 1 Marsels cape, 2 pair of boxing gloves, 1 wash board and $4 30 in cash; 1 ham sent to the Alms-house.

The above report is most respectfully submitted by your most obedient servant,

JACOB MARINUS,
Chief of Police Jersey City.

The report of the Chief of Police for the quarter ending November 1st, 1859, of the number of gas lamps not lighted, &c., was presented, received and referred to the committee on lamps.

The City Clerk laid before the Board the Assessors' Tax list of the First ward and the same was received and ordered filed in the city clerk's office.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "Application to have Henderson street between Newark Avenue and Wayne street raised to the established grade" and the same was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "Application to have the side walks in front of lots numbered ten (10) and twelve (12) on block three (3) as the same is laid down on a map of Jersey City, Hudson County, New Jersey, made by A. Clerk and R. C. Bacot, City Surveyors, in the year 1848, refilled and the flagging repaired" and the same was received and ordered filed.

Ten books containing the proceedings and debates of the Third National Quarantine and Sanitary Convention held in the city of New York, April 27, 28, 29 and 30th, 1859, received from Franklin J. Otterson, Chairman of committee on reporting and printing of said convention were presented by the city clerk.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh it was

Resolved, That one of said copies be sent to his Honor the Mayor and the balance be distributed amongst the members of the Board.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, enclosing returns of the following election in and resignations from said department confirmed by the commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department.

Election J. L. Blackmore by Engine co. No. 3.

Resignations of Nathaniel Turner from Engine co. No. 3. George Molineux from Engine co. No. 5, and C. I. Gilbert from Hook and Ladder Co. No. 2. The communications were received, and the action of the commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department was approved and confirmed.

The following requisition from the Board of Education was presented, received and warrants ordered to be drawn in favor of the claimants therein named and for the amounts specified:

To the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City—

At a meeting of the Board of Education held at the City Clerk's Office on Monday evening 7th inst.

It was Resolved that requisition be made upon the Common Council for the payment of the following claims in favor of

Wm. B. Dunning for printing,	$5 50
John Van Vorst, rent colored school room, to 1st inst.,	18 75
Henry A. Greene, books, &c., for School No. 2,	$56 08
	12 00
	10 09
	31 45
	109 58
Normal School,	8 50
	118 08

Respectfully, P. D. VROOM,
Clerk of Board of Education.

Jersey City, Nov. 8, 1859.

The committee on finance reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That the city clerk is hereby directed to publish in the corporation paper for the length of time required by the city charter, a list of property still unredeemed sold by the corporation of Jersey City, January 4th, 1859 and, February 4, 1858 for assessments.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on finance presented a report in reference to resolution passed October 18, 1859, directing the cancelling of sale of lots 34, 35 and 36, Mercer st. block 21, belonging to Michael Mullone sold for unpaid water rents accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, that a warrant for thirteen dollars and eight cents together with the interest thereon at the rate of 7 per cent. per annum, from the 3d February 1859, be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of Robert B. Blauvelt to refund to him purchase money of lots 34, 35 and 36, Mercer street block 21, assessors' map, sold to him February 3, 1858, for water rents of 1857, said warrant to be delivered to him on his surrendering to the city clerk for cancelling the declarations of sale of said lots: the sale of said lots having been cancelled pursuant to resolution passed October 18, 1859.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on assessments to whom was referred October 18, 1859, the claim of J. Flemming, Jr., for searches made for commissioners of assessments on opening Jersey street amounting to $33 00, reported back said claim and recommended that it be referred to the committee on laws and ordinances, &c. The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The committee on sewers to whom was referred November 1st, 1859, the petition of Thomas D. Jordan and others to have constructed a lateral sewer in Bright street from Grove to Jersey street, to connect with proposed sewer in Grove street, returned said petition, and it was referred to the Water commissioners with instructions to furnish the estimate and description prescribed in the sewer ordinance.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted:

Resolved, That the city clerk be instructed to have advertised for the necessary length of time the following notice:

Notice is hereby given that application will be made at the next session of the State Legislature for sundry amendments to the charter of Jersey City.

Alderman Hardenbergh from the committee on finance to whom was referred October 25, 1859, the communication from Edward Coles, city surveyor, in answer to resolution passed September 27th, 1859, averaging the assessment on certain lots for regulating Bay street between Prospect and Grove streets, presented the following preamble and resolutions in relation thereto.

Whereas, assessment upon the lots Nos. 24, 25, 26 and 27, on block 124 Bay street, between Prospect and Grove street, for regulation of Bay st., between Prospect and Grove sts., and confirmed March 3d, 1857, and sold July 29th, 1857, and Sept. 10th, 1857 to John B. Vroom for unpaid assessments are void, for the reason that said assessments were not in conformity with the actual subdivision of said lots, &c.

Whereas, a reapportionment has been made by Edward Coles, city surveyor, in compliance with a resolution of the common council, and

Whereas, it is evident that the said John B. Vroom cannot collect the monies paid by him for the purchase of said lots from the parties owning said lots therefore be it

Resolved, That the city clerk be instructed to draw a warrant and that His Honor the Mayor, be requested to sign the same in the sum of six hundred and twenty nine dollars and 20 cents, with interest at the rate of 7 per cent. per annum, from the date of said purchase, upon delivery at the office of the city clerk of declarations of sale which were issued to said John B. Vroom at the time of said purchase.

Resolved, That the city clerk be instructed to advertise said property according to reapportionment of Edward Coles, city surveyor, for unpaid assesment as described in the first preamble. The preamble and resolutions were adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted :

Resolved, That the owner or owners of property on that portion of Newark Avenue, Warren street, York street and Gregory street, where excavations are now being made, be requested to have proper safe guards erected for the protection of foot passengers upon the sidewalks.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Tilden and adopted.

Resolved, That the committee on Ferries and Wharves be and they are hereby instructed to have all obstructions removed from the river south of Jersey City.

Alderman Thurston from the committee on streets presented the following resolution :

Resolved, That an improvement certificate or certificates be issued under the direction of the committee on finance in favor of Adrian B. Reynolds for fourteen hundred dollars on account of his contract for the improvement of Newark Avenue from Warren street to Jersey Avenue, and that his Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same and the city clerk be directed to affix the corporate seal of the city thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Pres. Van Vorst, Ald. Edge and Decker.

On motion of Ald. Hankins the following entitled ordinance presented July 20, 1858, was taken from the table and referred to the city attorney :

"An ordinance defining the duties of the Board of Fire Wardens."

Alderman McLaughlin presented two renewals of policies of insurance by the Jersey City Insurance Company on stock, horse, wagons, &c., in the Almshouse, and on the public school house No. 1, in York street, and a bill of said company amounting to $58 80 for said renewals and the following resolution :

Resolved, That a warrant for fifty-eight dollars and eighty cents be drawn in favor of the Jersey City Insurance Company, and that the Mayor and city clerk be requested to sign the same.

The resolution was adopted.

On motion of Alderman Earle the Board proceeded to the appointment of an Aid to the Chief of Police to fill vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Benjamin G. Hann.

Aldermen Hardenbergh and Tilden were appointed and acted as tellers.

Ballotings were had which resulted as follows :

First balloting—
J H Baldwin received two votes.
John A Van Voorhis received one vote.
Jarvis L Ayres received seven votes.
Jacob V L Voorhis received one vote.
John Carroll received one vote.
Two blanks were cast.

Second balloting—
Jarvis L Ayres received eight votes.
Jacob V N Voorhis received four votes.
J H Baldwin received two votes.

Third balloting—
Jarvis L Ayres received eight votes.
J V N Voorhis received four votes.
J H Baldwin received two votes.

Fourth balloting—
Jarvis L Ayres received ten votes.
J V N Voorhis received two votes.
J H Baldwin received one vote.

Whereupon Jarvis L Ayres having received the requisite number of votes was declared appointed Aid to the Chief of Police.

On motion of Alderman Warner the Board proceeded to the appointment of a Policeman for the Third ward to fill the vacancy occasioned by the promotion of Jarvis L Ayres.

Aldermen Hardenbergh and Tilden were appointed and acted as tellers.

Four ballotings were had which resulted as follows :

First balloting—
Bernard McKiernan received three votes.
Martin V L Rose received five votes.
B McBernard received two votes.
Three blanks were cast.

Second balloting—
Bernard McKiernan received five votes.
Martin V L Rose received eight votes.
One blank was cast.

Third balloting—
Bernard McKiernan received six votes.
Martin V L Rose received seven votes.
One blank was cast.

Fourth balloting—
Bernard McKiernan received two votes.
Martin V L Rose received eleven votes.
One blank was cast.

Whereupon Martin V L Rose having received the requisite number of votes was declared appointed a Policeman.

Alderman Hardenbergh moved that the case of Policeman William N. Strong be taken up for consideration.

The motion was adopted.

Alderman McBride moved that the office of Policeman held by William N. Strong be declared vacant.

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Earle, McBride, Thurston and Warner.

Nays—Ald. Decker, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McLaughlin, Ogden and Tilden.

Absent—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Edge.

Alderman Hankins moved that the action of the Mayor in suspending Policeman William N. Strong be sustained and that he be dismissed from the Police Department.

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Ald. Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nay—Ald. Brown.

Absent—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Edge.

On motion of Alderman McBride the Board proceeded to the appointment of a Policeman to fill the vacancy occasioned by the dismissal of William N. Strong.

Aldermen Hardenbergh and Tilden were appointed and acted as tellers.

Four ballotings were had as follows :

First balloting—
Bernard McKiernan received six votes.
William Reen received two votes.
J S Hencil received one vote.
Dixon received one vote.
Four blanks were cast.

Second balloting—
Bernard McKiernan received eight votes.
William Reen received four votes.
Two blanks were cast.

Third balloting—
Bernard McKiernan received seven votes.
William Reen received three votes.
Treadwell received one vote.
Three blanks were cast.

Fourth balloting—
Bernard McKiernan received seven votes.
William Reen received three votes.
Treadwell received two votes.
Two blanks were cast.

On motion of Alderman McBride, further balloting for policeman was postponed.

On motion of Alderman Earle it was Resolved, That the committee on police be instructed to report at the next meeting of this Board, on the charges against Policeman Thompson.

On motion of Alderman Clarke the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

(OFFICIAL.)

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday November 22d, 1859, at 7½ o'clock p. m.

Present—President Van Vorst, Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Alderman Decker was absent at the calling of the roll but subsequently appeared and took his seat.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 15th inst., were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc, were presented, received and disposed of as follows :

Petition of John H. Lyon & Co., Publishers of the American Standard, to be furnished with a copy of the official minutes for publication in that paper, the same to be published gratuitously.

The prayer of the petitioners was granted.

Petition of John F. Richardson to have refunded to him the purchase money for lot bought by him at corporation sale on the 25th March 1857, for regulating Mercer street from Washington to Greene Street.

Referred to the committee on finance.

Petition of George S Cardner for the privilege of redeeming his lots 90 Grand street and 266 Canal street, sold to the City Treasurer more than two years ago.

Referred to the committee on finance.

A certified copy from the minutes of a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Jersey City and Bergen Railroad Company setting forth their proposed application to the Legislature for sundry amendments to their charter.

Ordered filed in the city clerk's office.

Claims and accounts were presented received and disposed of as follows :

Of Alexander Love $625 00 ; $92 75 ; William Wallace $: 81 and John B Haight $1 50.

Referred to committee on streets.

Of D S Gregory $210 00 and $75 00 : N. Hild $12 47; John J Hill $10 19 and $4 00 and M Sharp $3 82.

Referred to committee on public grounds and buildings.

Of William Whitley $28 84 ; and Edward Hope, jr., $2 50.

Referred to committee on alms.

Of John B Haight $51 80 and $1 73, and James O' Brien $4 00.

Referred to committee on fire and water.

Of Stephen Quaife $48 15.

Referred to committee on finance.

Of Chancellor W. Chase $3 90.

Referred to committee on laws and ordinances.

The following claims an accounts were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of Adrian B. Reynolds $2072 80 : John Coar $167 48; Richard Bly $124 43 ; John Coar $29 28 ; M Sharp $24 38 ; $21 81 ; and Sidney D. Roberts $6 00.

The following claims and accounts were presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of I B & D E Culver $131 50 ; Alexander Love $75,-00 ; Joseph B stone $60 00 : S & J H Kceney $59 22 ; H Goetschius $50 13 ; I W Scudder $50 00 ; Joseph H Rommel $50 ; A B Reynolds $45 80 Young Men's Christian Asso., $30 00 ; Japhet Jardine $28 00 ; Mrs. Ann Eaton $13 00 ; Hugh Billingsley $12 00 ; H Goetschius $11 53 ; Thomas Gafney $ 8 00 ; Charles H O'Neil $4,-25 : W B Dunning $3 50 and 75 cent, and James Flemming jr., $33 00.

The committee on alms to whom was referred November 15, 1859, the claim of Ward & McGown for groceries for alms-house amounting to $125 60 reported said claim correct for $135 55 and that amount was ordered paid.

The following communication was presented from His Honor the Mayor ;

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
Jersey City, Nov. 22d, 1859.

To the Hon. the Common Council of Jersey City.

GENTS :—I hand you herewith the following books which have been sent to me, viz :

1—Municipal Laws of the city of Newark 1858.
2—Message and Reports of the City of Baltimore, 1858
3—Ordinances of the City of Baltimore, 1858.
4—Ordinances of the City of Providence 1854 to 1858.
5—Proceedings and debates of the 3d National Quarantine and Sanitary Convention, held in New York, 1859.

I recommend that these books be placed in the office of the clerk of the city, as city property, and that he account for their safe keeping for the use of the authorities of the city and of the public.

Respectfully submitted,
D. S. GREGORY, Mayor.

The communication was received and its recommendation adopted.

The city clerk laid before the Board the assessors' tax list for the Fourth Ward, and the same was received and ordered to be filed in the city clerk's office.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of the filing of their report and map by the commissioners of estimate and assessment for the opening of Jersey street, from Newark avenue to Railroad avenue. The report was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "Application to have Warren street, from Montgomery to York street, and the intersections of Warren, York and Gregory streets, filled and raised to the established grade, the curb and gutter reset, the sidewalk raised to the established grade and flagged the whole width, and bridge stone crosswalks placed at the intersections." The report was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "Application to have the sidewalks in front of lots numbered nine (9), eleven (11), twenty-one (21) and twenty-three (23), on block numbered two (2), as the same is laid down on a map of Jersey City, made by A. Clerk and R. C. Bacot, city surveyors, in the year 1848, relaid and flagged four feet wide, and the curb and gutter reset." The report was received and ordered filed.

A statement of the Overseer of the Poor and Superintendent of the alms-house, of the receipts and expenditures at alms-house from August 1st to November 1st, 1859 was presented, received and referred to the committee on alms.

A communication was presented from the Comptroller enclosing a statement of expenditures on account of appropriations made under Tax Ordinance of 1859, from May 1st to November 1st, 1859.

The communication and statement were received, and the statement ordered to be published in the minutes.

Said statement being as follows :

Statement of Expenditures on acct. of appropriations made under Tax Ordinance of 1859, from May 1st to November 1st 1859 :

	Amt. of appr'tion.	Amt. ex-pended.	Amt unexpended.
For streets repairs	$2000 00	$3204 38	
Belgian pavements	5000 00	5000 00	
Lighting streets	9600 00	2575 18	$6424 82
Day and Night Police	16000 00	6766 59	9233 41
Support of Almshouse and Hospital	5300 00	2041 79	2958 21
Support of City Prison,	600 00	266 84	333 16
do Public Schools,	11000 00	6356 81	4643 19
Supporting, maintaining &repairing F. Engines	1500 00	727 73	772 27
Payment of salaries	10500 00	2800 00	7700 00
Printing stationery and supplies	1000 00	460 38	539 62
Elections	300 00		300 00
Repairs of P. G & B.	2000 00	1559 86	440 14
Payment of interest	35000 00	3509 93	
Sinking Fund	500 00		500 00
Improvement Ham. Sq.	1500 00	1260 80	239 20
Legal expenses	300 00	107 60	192 40
Public health,	300 00	22 78	276 22
Cleaning sewers	1000 00	773 12	226 88
Celebration 4th of July.	500 00	454 90	45 10
Scriviner for City Clerk.	400 00	200 00	200 00
Payment of bonds	10000 00	10000 00	
Rent of Public Grounds and Buildings	1500 00	228 12	1271 88
Issue of Coupon Bonds.	210 00	274 50	
Cleaning streets	2500 00	738 44	1761 56
Bell to be placed in Bell Tower	1200 00		1200 00
	$87,310 00	$49329 75	

The following accounts, credited with other than amounts appropriated by tax ordinance :

Alms House and Hospital,		
Amt. deposited on acct. of sale of flour	$161 54	
Pub. Schools. State School Fund Quota	852 14	
Rent. Amt. collected from property on Newark ave.,	106 09	
Actual amt to credit of Alms House unexpended		$3119 75
Actual amt to credit of Public Schools unexpended		5495 33
Actual amt to credit of rent acct. unexpended		1377 97

A communication from John McGuigan, Collector of Taxes asking that the tax list for the Fourth Ward filed in the city clerk's office be placed in the hands of the

collector of taxes to facilitate the collection of taxes, was presented and received.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Depaatment enclosing returns of the following elections in and expulsions from said Department, confirmed by the commissioners of the Fire department. Elections of John Lee and John Ramsey by Hose Co. No. 1. Oliver S. French and Henry Shaw by Hose co. No. 2. Terrence O'Brian by Engine co. No. 2. Michael Shay by Engine co. No. 3.

Expulsions of Hugh McComb from Engine co. No. 5, and Peter G. Houghtaling from Engine co. No. 1.

The communications were received and the action of the commissioners was approved and confirmed.

A communication from the city attorney in relation to Elizabeth Van Horn, a pauper at the alms-house was presented, received and referred to the committee on alms.

The committee on streets, to whom were referred on the 1st instant the following claims, reported the same correct, and they were then referred to the committee on assessments to be assessed, viz :

Of Hugh Keenan, for superintending on South 2d st., $145 62 ; James S. Noyes, for labor and materials furnished on the regulation of South 2d street, from Provost to Monmouth street, including intersections, $4534 58 ; William Moore, for superintending the paving of South 2d street, from Prospect street to the river, $30 ; and of I. B. & D. E. Culver, for surveys, calculation, and assessment map, for the regulation of South Second street, from the east side of Provost street to the centre of Monmouth street, including intersections, $130 20.

A claim of James S. Noyes for labor and materials furnished for the improvement of South 2d street, from Provost st. to Newark avenue, including intersections, amounting to $9, was presented, received, referred to the committee on streets, subsequently reported correct and then referred to the committee on assessments to be assessed.

The committee on finance, to whom was referred on the 15th instant the petition of Michael Craven, for the privilege of redeeming his lot, 86 Steuben street, sold more than two years ago to the city treasurer for an unpaid assessment, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That permission be given to Michael Craven to redeem lot 86 Steuben street, block 50 on S. W. Smith's map, said redemption to be made in the usual manner provided in such cases.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on finance to whom was referred November 1st 1859, the communication from Henry E. Insley collector of arrears of taxes enclosing a letter from John D Ward in reference to the collection of arrearages of assessments for sewers, presented a report thereon accompanied by an opinion of the corporation attorney ; the report setting forth that the committeee are of opinion that in the absence of any express provision the common council have the power to place the collection of assessments for sewerage, in the hands of the collector of assessments or in those of the collector of arrears of taxes as the common council may deem proper.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The committee on finance to whom was referred November 15, 1859, the petition of Enos A Skillman and Andrew H DeWitt to have refunded to them purchase money and interest, of lots bought by them at sale for Mercer street assessment for the reason that said assessment was set aside so far as respects the lots purchased by them presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That the city clerk be instructed to draw warrants in favor of Enos A Skillman and Andrew H DeWitt for amounts of monies paid by them at an assessment sale for the regulation of Mercer st., from Washington st. to Greene st. and that interest at the rate of 7 per cent per annum from the date of said sale be added thereto ; said warrants to be delivered upon delivery to the city clerk, the declarations of sale held by them for such monies paid. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on laws and ordinances, to whom was referred Nov. 15th, 1859, the petition of John Corrigan asking to be reimbursed for property on Newark avenue, taken by the city, returned said petition, and it was referred to the committee on streets.

The committee on fire and water, to whom was referred November 15th, 1859, the communication from Charles J Smith proposing to sell to the city the lot on the west side of Warren street, between Steuben and Morgan streets, occupied by house of Hercules Engine Co. No. 3, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That the common council purchase the said lot for one thousand dollars, and that the city attorney examine the title to said lot, and if found perfect, to prepare the necessary deed for the same.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on police, to whom was referred September 24th, 1859, the charge made by the chief of police against policeman John D. Thompson, presented a report setting forth that "in consideration of his past good conduct, and faithful attendance to duty heretofore, the committee recommend that said Thompson be reinstated in his former position as a member of the Police Department." The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The committee on police, to whom was referred May 31, 1859, the petition of Robert Duffy, for compensation as policeman, while sick during April 1859, from injuries received while in the discharge of his duties, presented a report thereon setting forth that the committee have not been able to learn that the injury referred to was received by said Duffy while in the discharge of his duty as a policeman, and therefore the committee cannot recommend the granting of the prayer of the petitioner. The report was received and adopted.

On motion of Alderman Clarke the contract presented November 1st, 1859 for lighting the streets of the city with gas was taken up for consideration.

The contract was considered and amended, the blanks were filed, and the following resolution in relation thereto was presented by Alderman Clarke.

Resolved, That the contract for lighting the streets of the city with gas be approved by this common council, and that when the said contract shall have been executed by the Jersey City and Hoboken Gas light co., then his Honor the Mayor be requested and the city clerk instructed to execute the same on behalf of the Mayor and common council of Jersey City under its corporate seal.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays been ordered and taken.

Yeas—President Van Vorst, Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Decker and Earle.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Clarke and rejected.

Resolved, That the committee on lamps be and are hereby authorized to make arrangements with the Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light co., to have the city gas lamps lighted on every night in the year.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Earle and adopted.

Resolved, That the city attorney be instructed to bring an appeal in the case of Elizabeth Van Horn, delivered as a pauper to the Overseer of the Poor of this city.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted :

Whereas excavations are now being made in lots fronting on Newark avenue, Warren street, York St. and Gregory street. And whereas while such excavations are being made, no protection has been erected for the benefit of foot passengers. And whereas, owing to the want of such protection, injuries have been sustained by persons passing such premises. Therefore,

Resolved, That the present lots in their exposed condition be and are hereby declared to be a nuisance.

On motion of Ald Hoffman the Board took a recess of fifteen minutes for the purpose of hearing his Honor the Mayor express his views in reference to the powers and duties of the city with respect to the operations of the Morris Canal Co in the Southern cove.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hoffman :

Resolved, That the committee on ferries and wharves are hereby instructed to take all necessary and legal steps to guard and protect the interests and rights of the corporation of Jersey City, against all encroachments now being made or which shall hereafter be made against them on the southern boundary of the city, and the city attorney is hereby instructed to advise said committee as to the proper and legal course to be pursued.

The resolution was rejected.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Ogden.

Resolved, That the com. on lamps be requested to cause the gas in the street lamps to be lighted during the whole of each night except the night of the full moon, the night before, and the night after the full moon.

The resolution was rejected.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Edge and rejected :

Resolved, That the 33d rule of order of this Common Council be so amended as to read as follows :

"The regular meetings of the Common Council

shall be held on the first and third Tuesday evenings of every month."

Ald. Decker appeared and took his seat.

On motion of Ald Thurston the Board took a recess for fifteen minutes to enable E. B. Wakeman, Esq., to address them on behalf of the Jersey City and Bergen Horse Railroad Co.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Warner and adopted :

Resolved, That the corporation attorney be and is hereby instructed to commence proceedings forthwith against C. F. Durant for violations of city ordinance on the corner of Newark avenue and Warren st.

On motion of Alderman Thurston the Board proceeded to the appointment of a Policeman to fill the vacancy in the Second ward.

Alderman Hankins and Clarke were appointed and acted as tellers :

Four ballotings were had as follows :

First balloting—
Stephen V Johnson received five votes.
Matthew McKiernan received four votes.
James McCroy received three votes.
T S Robbins received three votes.
William Reen received one vote.

Second balloting—
Stephen V Johnson received six votes.
Matthew McKiernan received three votes.
James McCroy received four votes.
William Robins received three votes.

Third balloting—
Stephen V Johnson received four votes.
Matthew McKiernan received two votes.
James McCroy received four votes.
T S Robbins received six votes.

Fourth balloting—
Stephen V Johnson received three votes.
James McCroy received three votes.
Matthew McKiernan received four votes.
T S Robbins received five votes.
William Reen received one vote.

On motion of Ald. Thurston further balloting was postponed.

On motion of Ald. Earle the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.—OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday November 29th, 1859 at 7½ o'clock, P.M.

Present—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker Earle, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Alderman Hankins was absent at the calling of the roll, but subsequently appeared and took his seat.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 22d inst. were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc, were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Petition of George Elder for privilege of redeeming his lot 40 Montgomery street in block 21, sold to the city treasurer July 28, 1857 for water rents.

Referred to the committee on finance.

Petition of policemen Chazotte, Valade and Bennett, indicted at the October term of the Hudson county Court of Oyer and Terminer by P. N. Horseley, for acts done by them while in the discharge of their duties ; to have paid by the Common Council bill of E. B. Wakeman, Esq., for defending them against said indictment, amounting to $30, and the taxed bill of costs amounting to $67 29.

Referred to committee on police.

Petitions of Michael Reynolds and George W. Dempsey to be appointed policemen.

Referred to committee on police.

Petition of Mrs. Cisco, residing at No. 26 York street for abatement of nuisance on sidewalk in front of lot No. 28 York street, caused by stable manure, straw, &c. Referred to committee on public health.

Communication from Jonathan H. Baldwin, resigning his office of policeman, and asking to be appointed a policeman to be detailed for special duty at the Cunard wharves, his compensation to be paid by the Cunard Steamship Co., his petition being accompanied by a written request of E. Cunard for such appointment.

The resignation was accepted, and on motion of Ald. Earle it was unanimously

Resolved, That Jonathan H. Baldwin be appointed a policeman to be detailed for special duty at the Cunard wharves, his compensation to be paid by the Cunard Company, and not by the city.

Communication from the Directors of the Jersey City and Bergen Horse Railroad Company setting forth that they propose to apply at the next session of the State Legislature for sundry amendments to their Charter ; accompanied by a bond signed by said company agreeing to make such application.

The communication was laid upon the table and the agreement was referred to the city attorney with instructions to report at the next meeting whether the same is such as is required by the ordinance providing for the laying of Railroad tracks in the city.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Of William N. Hogan $110 44 ; John H. Sickels $97,-37 and Frederick Porrett $60 06.

Referred to committee on fire and water.

Of William Bumsted & Co,, $108 46 and Alexander Wilson $20 19.

Referred to committee on public grounds and buildings

Of A. B. Reynolds $47 63 and Alexander Wilson $1 56.

Referred to committee on streets.

Of Mrs. Ann Eaton $17 00.

Referred to committee on lamps.

Of W D Sivers $1 44. Referred to committee on salaries officers and elections.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of Matthew Erwin $88 64 ; Alexander Love $57 50 ; Smith Mead $1 87, and William B Dunning $1 75.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of D. S. Gregory $210 00 ; A. O. Zabriskie $140 00 ; D S Gregory $75 00 ; William Whitley $28 84 ; N. Hild $12 47 ; John J. Hill $10 19 ; M Sharp $9 82 ; James F. Fielder $4 48 ; John J. Hill $4 00 ; Chancellor W. Chase $3 90 ; Edward Hope, jr., $2 50.

A claim of Barton T. Bodine for carpenter's work in fitting up 3d and 4th ward polls, for election purposes, amounting to $28 25, referred to the committee on salaries, offices and elections, November 15th, 1859, was reported correct by said committee for $18, and that amount was ordered paid.

The city clerk laid before the Board the following communication from his Honor the Mayor, filed in the city clerk's office on the 26th instant, and the same was read, received, and ordered to be entered at large on the journal of proceedings of the Common Council :

MAYOR'S OFFICE, Nov. 26th, 1859.

To the Honorable the Common Council.

Gentlemen : You have asked me to sign the following resolution :

Resolved, That the committee on ferries and wharves be and they are hereby instructed to have removed all obstructions in the river south of Jersey City.

I do not think the committee would feel authorized to act under the instruction, were I to concur with you by singing the resolution, because the phraseology of it is too indefinite. They would not feel warranted in going beyond the limits of the city, and as the south line of the city extends some distance into York Bay, the obstruction referred to is wholly north, and not south of it.

I have not signed the resolution for different reasons from this. There is no well devised plan or arrangement, made by any competent authority, for the extension of improvement into the river and bays surrounding the city. The shore claimants have been permitted to reclaim land, build bulk-heads, and extend piers into the water as far as in their judgment their interest was to be promoted. The large and extensive improvements into Harsimus or North Bay, extending to Hoboken, by Messrs. Roberts, Phelps, the Long Dock Company, for the use of the New York and Erie Railroad Company ; the extensive reclaiming in the same bay by Messrs. Wynants, Cummings, Morris and others ; the extension of a pier by the Wet and Dry Dock Company into the Hudson River, and the reclaiming and pier building on the whole eastern front of the 1st and 2d wards by the railroad companies, the Associates and by the Morris Canal Company, have all been made without any concurrence or action (save in one instance) on the part of the authorities of the city. All these improvements, it is generally conceded, are adding wealth and taxable property to the city, and have in no way interfered with any property rights of the city. In all probability the movement now making in the South Bay will produce the same result, and should not be less favorably considered.

I do not entertain the question of any property right belonging to the city in the unreclaimed waters surrounding the city. That was settled by the Court of Errors and Appeals in the last resort on the 17th July, 1850, adverse to such claim.

If the extension of a pier into the New York Bay be an obstruction, that point should be well established before the whole powers of the municipal government be resorted to for its removal.

There may be, and I know there are, parties interested in the property so occupied, whose rights to prevent such occupancy cannot be denied by the proper tribunal. But it is a controversy with which the city should not intermeddle or bear the expense. If a person should during a night put up a frame house on a lot of mine, I could not expect the Common Council would volunteer to remove it. Or should some evil disposed persons sink a crib in front of the ferry during the night, it is more than probable that the proprietors of the ferry would see that it was at once removed, at their own expense, without invoking the aid of the committee on ferries and wharves.

This question is not, however, without its difficulties. There are shore owners within the city limits and beyond them who are or may be injured by just such action as is now under consideration. There should be some plan to settle these matters, rather than a resort to a tedious and costly proceeding in the courts of justice. There should be also a water line established, with care and good judgment to which improvements may be made into the river and bays. This can only be obtained through an act of the Legislature.

Respectfully submitted,

D. S. GREGORY, Mayor.

Ald. Edge moved "that the resolution do now pass, notwithstanding the objections of his Honor the Mayor."

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Alderman Brown, Thurston and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Alderman Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Hankins.

The city clerk presented a notice served upon him this day by Chancellor W Chase, constable, levying upon "money belonging to Barton T Bodine, in the hands of the Mayor and common council of Jersey City to the amount of nineteen dollars and ninety six cents."

Alderman Decker, chairman of the committee on salaries, officers and elections presented a similar notice served upon him.

The notices were referred to the committee on laws and ordinances.

The committee on streets to whom was referred November 1st, 1859 the claim of John M. Foquet & Co., for making measurements and calculating amount of cobble stones removed from Hudson and Montgomery streets and Newark Avenue amounting to $15 00, returned said claim, and it was then referred to the special committee on claim of Alexander Love.

(Alderman Hankins appeared and took his seat)

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the ordinance presented October 4, 1859, entitled "An ordinance to authorize the Jersey City and Bergen Railroad Company to lay a single track of iron rails in certain streets of Jersey City" was taken up for consideration.

The ordinance was amended and as amended was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Pres Van Vorst, Ald. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—Ald. Christie, Edge, Hankins and Hoffman.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Alderman Tilden.

Whereas there has been extended into the water in Harsimus Bay, within the Southern boundaries of this city, by the Morris Canal company, a pier or crib work with two openings extending in length 1600 feet without any apparent utility to that company, and

Whereas the shore owners have represented that this extensive pier is detrimental to their interest, the interest of the city and of navigation generally, by interfering with their rights of property in a free and natural approach to them from the Hudson River and

Whereas the power conferred on this body contemplates a knowledge of and concurrence in, these improvements by the shore owners into the river and bays flowing against the made ground which concurrence has not been obtained from the common council, and

Whereas for the purpose of protecting our wharves and docks and piers, it is desirable that a "water line" should be established by the legislature for the extension into the waters adjoining this city, therefore

Resolved, 1st., That this common council does hereby protest against the encroachments aforesaid made by and under the sanction of the Morris Canal Company and without concurrence of this Board and that the clerk of this Board serve this resolution on the President or other officer of the company and

Resolved, That the committee on laws be instructed to prepare and send a petition to the legislature asking for an act for the appointment of commissioners by the Governor for establishing the "water line" in the Hudson River and the bays in the counties of Hudson and Bergen, to which encroachments from the shores may be made.

The preamble and resolution were laid upon the table and ordered to be printed on slips for use of the Board.

On motion of Alderman Earle it was

Resolved, That the Jersey City and Bergen Horse Railroad company be requested in their proposed application to the next Legislature for amendments to their charter to place so much of said Railroad as within the city limits under the supervision and control of the common council.

On motion of Alderman McLaughlin the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.—OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday December 6th, 1859, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Christie, Clarke, Decker Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Brown.

The minutes of the regular meeting of November 29, 1859, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc, were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Petition of G. H. Linsley, to be allowed the privilege of purchasing from the city 20x25 feet of the rear of the lot occupied by Engine House No. 5.

Referred to committee on public grounds and buildings.

Petition of Patrick McDonagh, to be appointed a policeman. Laid upon the table.

Petition of Wm. Shaw, to be appointed bell ringer.

Referred to committee on fire and water.

Petition of Wm. Coleman and others to have the sewer in Montgomery street, from Henderson to Van Vost sts., cleaned out, &c.

Referred to committee on sewers.

Petition of Charles G. Smith, to have refunded, with interest, the amount deposited by him in the City Treasury, to defray the preliminary expenses of building sewer in Railroad avenue.

Referred to committee on sewers.

Memorial of A. W. Powell and others, asking for the rigid enforcement of the laws for observance of the Sabbath, &c., accompanied by a communication from the Hon. Jacob R. Wortendyke, President of City Mission and Tract Society, approving the prayer of the memorialists.

Referred to committee on laws and ordinances.

Memorials of George McLaughlin and others, and Patrick Hurley and others, praying for a reconsideration of the vote by which was passed at the last meeting of the Common Council the ordinance granting permission to the Jersey City and Bergen Point Rail road Company to lay rails in the city, &c.

Referred to committee on streets.

Claims and accounts were presented received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Of Drayton & Durant $30 ; Hugh Reilly $31 58 ; A. B. Reynolds $25 19 ; and Japhet Jardine $3 60.

Referred to committee on alms.

Of Smith Mead $42 11 ; William Coleman $12 80 ; John McCarty $8 25, and Philo Snow $4 50.

Referred to committee on streets.

Of H. Goetschius $55 21 ; J. F. Richardson $40 75 ; A. B. Reynolds $40 ; Hugh Billingsley $12.

Referred to committee on lamps.

Of A. B. Reynolds $37 44 and C. C. Stager $3 18 and $1 75. Referred to committee on fire and water.

Of R. Skinner Tilden $500, and William Hughes & Co., $2 00. Referred to committee on salaries, offices and elections.

Of J. F. Richardson $12 00, and H. Goetschius $9 59. Referred to committee on police.

Of J. Flemming $6 00. Referred to committee on laws and ordinances.

Of C. C. Stager $4 23. Referred to committee on public grounds and buildings.

The following claims and accounts were presented received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz : Of Police Department $1301 59 ; Frederick Porrett $425 00 ; William Roosevelt $100 and Larey Owens $3 12.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board, were reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of Alexander Love $625 ; William N. Hogan $110 44 ; John H. Sickels $97 37 ; Frederick Porrett $60 06 ; John B. Haight $53 80 ; Cornelius Van Buskirk's Express $43 00 ; C. A. Lockwood $40 ; Alexander Wilson $20 19 ; Mrs. Ann Eaton $17 ; John M. Foquet & Co., $15 ; James O. Brien $4 00 ; W. Wallace $2 81 ; John B. Haight $1 50 ; Alexander Wilson, $1 56 ; John B. Haight, $1 50, and W D Stivers $1 44.

A claim of A. B. Reynolds amounting to $47 63 ; referred to the committee on streets, November 29, 1859, was reported correct by said committee for $40 63 and that amount ordered paid.

A claim of Thomas Howe amounting to $5 00 referred to the committee on salaries, offices and elections, November 15, 1859, was reported correct by said committee for $2, and that amount ordered paid.

The committee on public grounds and buildings to whom was referred September 20, 1859, the claim of Hugh McComb for balance due him for repairing and raising the roof of Hook and Ladder House No. 1, amounting to $187 25, together with the assignment of said claim, to Charles N. Betts, reported the claim correct for $97 28, and that amount was ordered to be paid to Charles N. Betts.

Petition of the Officers of Phœnix Hose Co No. 2, asking to have an extension of ten feet made to their house now under contract.

Referred to the committee on fire and water ; which committee subsequently presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved that the committee on public grounds and buildings be requested to have the house of Phœnix Hose Company extended in accordance with their petition at an expense not exceeding the sum of three hundred dollars. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The City Clerk presented three circulars received by him through the Post Office, being Statements of deaths with the diseases and ages in the city of Philadelphia during the year 1859. The statements were received and ordered filed.

Communication from Philo Snow, Street Commissioner, calling the attention of the Common Council to the dangerous condition of the pump situated in South 7th street, near Jersey Avenue, and recommending that the pump be removed and the well properly covered with a suitable flagstone.

On motion of Alderman Thurston it was

Resolved, That the communication of the Street Commissioner be referred to the committee on streets, with power.

A report by the City Treasurer for the month of November 1859 showing overpayments by him during said month of $5123 03 was presented received and ordered filed.

The following communication was presented from the Board of Education.

To the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City.

At a meeting of the Board of Education held on Monday evening the 5th instant, it was

Resolved, That requisition be made upon the Common Council for the payment of the following claims :

Uzal Cory cleaning and repairing furnaces, school No. 1,	$ 11 00
Uzal Cory cleaning and repairing furnaces, school No. 2,	3 00—14 00
David Easton repairs school No. 1,	5 52
" " " " " 2,	19 54—25 06
John Pringle plumbing " " 3,	9 25
Wm. Bumsted mason work,	11 00
John Marshall repairing locks, &c.,	8 88
	$68 19

P. D. VROOM, Clerk.

Jersey City, Dec. 6, 1859.

The communication was received, and the following resolution was offered by Ald. Warner and adopted

Resolved, That requisition be made on City Treasury for sixty eight dollars and nineteen cents in favor of the chairman of the finance committee of the Board of Education.

An opinion of the Corporation Attorney in relation to the agreement referred to him November 29, 1859 of the Jersey City and Bergen Horse Railroad Company with the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City, was presented received and ordered filed.

An agreement, signed by the officers of the Jersey City and Bergen Horse Railroad Company, with the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City in relation to the laying of railroad tracks in Jersey City, &c., accompanied by a certificate of the corporation attorney, setting forth that he is of opinion that the same is such an agreement as is contemplated by the ordinance respecting the Bergen Point Railroad Company, was presented, received and ordered filed.

The committee on streets, to whom was referred September 20th, 1859, the petition of John McGuigin and others for the opening of Montgomery street, from the terminus at Warren street to its intersection with Van Vorst street, presented a favorable report thereon, recommending "that application be made to the Legislature for the passage of an act authorizing the opening of Montgomery street, and the vacating of Gregory street." The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The committee on alms, to whom was referred, November 15th, 1859, the petition of John Condon to be reimbursed for expenses in attending Jeremiah Sullivan, returned said petition for the reason that the committee "are unable to agree as to what disposition shall be made of the prayer of petitioner."

The report was received.

The committee on public grounds and buildings returned the claim referred to them November 29, 1859, of Wm. Bumsted & Co., for work and materials at Hose House No. 3, amounting to $103 46, and it was referred to the committee on fire any water.

The committee on public grounds and buildings to

whom were referred October 18, 1858 the proposals of John B. Haight, J. L. Blackmore and A. Meneeleys' Sons for contract to furnish and put up complete for use in Bell Tower a fire alarm bell, returned said proposals and presented agreements signed by A. Meneeleys Sons to whom such contract was awarded.

The proposals were ordered filed in the City Clerk's office, and the agreements were ordered filed in the Comptroller's office.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the vote was reconsidered by which at the last meeting of the Board the claim of Burton T. Bodine for fitting up 3d and 4th ward polls for election purposes was ordered paid for $18 and on motion of the same Alderman, the claim was laid upon the table.

Alderman Thurston moved "That the vote be reconsidered by which was passed at the last meeting "An Ordinance to authorize the Jersey City and Bergen Railroad Company to lay a single track of iron rails in certain streets of Jersey City."

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Thurston, Tilden and Hardenbergh.

Yeas—Aldermen Christie, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hoffman, McBride, Thurston and Warner.

Nays—President Van Vorst, Ald. Clarke, Decker, Hardenbergh, McLaughlin, Ogden and Tilden.

Absent—Ald. Brown.

On motion of Alderman Tilden the Ordinance was then laid upon the table.

Alderman Clarke offered the following resolution.

Resolved, That the committee on lamps be and are hereby authorized to have two iron lamp posts and lamps erected in Mercer between Greene and Warren streets. The resolution was adopted.

Alderman Clarke offered the following resolution.

Resolved, That the committee on lamps be and are hereby authorized to have the City Gas Lamps lighted every night during the months of December, January, February and March. The resolution was adopted.

Alderman Hankins offered the following resolution

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn in favor of A. Meneeleys' Sons, agents, for fourteen hundred and thirty four dollars and sixty-six cents in payment as per contract, for furnishing a fire alarm bell and a bell for each of house No. 3, and that the Mayor and City Clerk be and are hereby requested to sign the same.

The resolution was adopted.

On motion of Ald. Tilden the following preamble and resolution, presented by him at the last meeting of the Common Council, were taken from the table:

Whereas, There has been extended into the water on Hardnuts Bay, within the southern boundaries of the city, by the Morris Canal Company, a pier or crib work, with two openings, extending in length 1600 feet, without any apparent utility to that company, and wherein,

The shore owners have represented that this extensive pier is detrimental to their interest, the interest of the city, and of navigation generally, by interfering with their rights of property in a free and natural approach to them from the Hudson river, and

Whereas, the power conferred on this body contemplates a knowledge of and concurrence in these improvements by the shore owners in the river and bays flowing against the made ground, which concurrence has not been obtained from the Common Council, and

Whereas, For the purpose of protecting our wharves and docks and piers it is desirable that a water line should be established by the Legislature for the extension into the waters adjoining this city, therefore,

Resolved, 1st—That this Common Council does hereby protest against the encroachment aforesaid made by and under the sanction of the Morris Canal Company, and without concurrence of this Board, and that the Clerk of this Board serve this resolution on the President or other officer of the company, and

Resolved, 2, That the committee on laws be instructed to prepare and send a petition to the legislature, asking for an act for the appointment of commissioners by the Governor for establishing the "water line" in the Hudson river and the Bays in the counties of Hudson and Bergen, to which encroachments from the shores may be made.

The preamble and resolution were adopted.

Alderman McLaughlin moved "That the action of the Common Council on the 22d November last ordering payment to Adrian B. Reynolds of his claim amounting to $2072 82 for labor and materials furnished for the improvement of Hudson Street from the south side of York Street to Grand street, including the Grand and Hudson Street intersection be rescinded.

The motion was adopted.

Alderman Hardenbergh moved "That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Adrian B. Reynolds for nineteen hundred and sixty-five dollars and four cents, in part payment of his contract for laying down Belgian payment in Hudson street between York and Grand streets." The motion was adopted.

Alderman Hardenbergh offered the following resolution.

Resolved, That a city bond for one hundred and seven dollars and eighty five cents be issued in favor of Adrian B Reynolds of Jersey City, for final payment on his contract for the laying down of Belgian pavement in Hudson street between York and Grand street said bond to be dated December 6, 1859, and to be drawn payable in five years from date, and that His Honor the Mayor be requested and the City Clerk be instructed to sign the same and attach the seal of the city thereto.

The resolution was rejected by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Messrs. Van Vorst and Ald Christie, Clarke, Decker, Hardenbergh, McBride and McLaughlin.

Nays—Ald. Hankins, Hoffman, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Brown, Earle and Edge.

Ald. Tilden moved—

That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Adrian B. Reynolds for one hundred and seven dollars and eighty five cents, for balance of his claim for laying down Belgian pavement in Hudson street, between York and Grand streets.

The motion was rejected.

On motion of Ald. Clarke the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.—OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

Regular meeting at the Common Council chamber, Tuesday, December 13th, 1859, at 7½ o'clock p m.

Present—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Ald Hankins was absent at the calling of the roll, but subsequently appeared and took his seat.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 6th inst., were read and approved

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz.:

Of Peter Brady to be appointed a policeman.

Referred to Committee on Police.

Petition of John Marshall to be appointed a policeman. Referred to Committee on Police

Petition of E Cunard to have Alex. McMullen and Peter Peterson appointed special constables on the Cunard Dock Referred to Committee on Police.

Petition of John Patten, Jr., to have refunded, with interest, purchase money of lots bought by him at sales of November 8th, 1856, for Water rents, and June 23d, 1856, for taxes. Referred to Com on Finance.

Communication from Jacob Weart, Esq., attorney for Isaac J. Vanderbeck and others, parties assessed for the construction of a sewer in Newark avenue, Railroad avenue and Wayne street, setting forth that although the assessment for building said sewer has been removed into the Supreme Court by certiorari, their property is advertised to be sold, &c., and asking that the advertisement of their lots may be withdrawn from the published list.

Referred to Com. on Finance.

Petition of George Ogden, heirs of J. B. Coles, Dominick Dougherty and Thomas V. Forster, owners of lots fronting Jersey avenue, between North Third and North Seventh street, asking that said portions of Jersey avenue be regulated and graded according to the established city grade; and that the petitioners be allowed to do their own work in front of their respective lots, at their own expense. On motion of Ald. Thurston it was

Resolved that the petition be referred to the Com on Streets with power.

Writ of certiorari to remove into the Supreme Court the assessment for filling in sunken lots between Railroad avenue, Prospect and Morgan streets, and Morgan, Prospect and Bay streets, upon the property of Jonathan D. Miller. Referred to the corporation atty.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Of Philo Snow, $10 50 and $8 75 and Patrick Fallon, $5. Referred to Com on streets.

Of Ward and McGown, $9 25 and Thomas Newham, $6 50. Referred to Com on Fire and Water.

Of Japhet Jardine $91 55. Referred to Com on Public Grounds and Buildings.

The following claims were presented, received, referred to Com on streets, afterwards reported correct by said Committee; the reports were received and adopted, and the claims were then referred to the Board of Commissioners for assessments to be assessed viz:

Of James F. Fielder for labor and materials furnished for the improvement of Coles street from south side of South 2d street to South 4th street including intersections amounting to $1860 19; of Smith Mead, for Superintending the improvement of Coles street from South 2d street to South 4th street, amounting to $53 50; and of I. B. & D. E. Culver for surveys and calculations on the improvement of Coles street from the south side of South 2d street to the south side of South 4th street including intersections amounting to $56 60.

A tax bill of Mrs. Bliver amounting to $5 71 for taxes of 1850 on lot 15 South 2d street in block No. 202, was presented, received and referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz.:

Of New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company $78 00 and Nathaniel Ellis $37 51.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees on former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz.:

Of R. Skinner Tilde, $500; William Bumsted & Co., $108 46; Alexander Love, $36 75; Drayton & Durant, $90; A. B Reynolds, $57 44; H. Goetschius $55 21; Stephen Quaife $48 15; Smith Mead 42 11; J. F. Richardson, $40 75; A. B. Reynolds, $40 00; Hugh Reilly $31 58; William Coleman $12 83; J. F. Richardson $12; Hugh Billingsly $12; William B. Dunning $10 75; H. Goetschius $9 50; John McCarty, $8 25; J. Flemming $6 00; Philo Snow $1 50; Japhet Jardine $3 60; C. C. Stager $3 18; Wm. Hughes & Co., $2 00 and C C Stager $1 75

A claim of A. B. Reynolds amounting to $26 10 for fluid, wick, &c., for Alms House Department presented and referred to the Com. on Alms, December 6, 1859, was reported correct by said committee for $24 99 and that amount was ordered paid

A claim of Henry E Insley collector of arrears of taxes amounting to $114 87, for per centage on collections made by him, was presented and referred to the Com on Finance, which committee subsequently presented a report thereon recommending that said claim be referred to the City Attorney for his opinion thereon as doubts have arisen in the minds of the committee relative to the legality of said claim, etc. The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The Com on Finance, to whom was referred November 28th, 1850, the petition of George Elder for privilege of redeeming lot 40 Montgomery street on block 21 sold to the City Treasurer July 28th, 1857, for water rents, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That permission be given to Geo. Elder, to redeem his lot 40 Montgomery street in block 21 provided the said redemption be made in the manner usual in such cases. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Com on Finance to whom was referred Nov. 22, 1859, the petition of George S. Gardner for privilege to redeem his lots, 90 Grand street and 266 Canal street, Hill's map, sold to the City Treasury for unpaid taxes and assessments, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That permission be given to George S. Gardner to redeem his lots N. 90 Grand street and 266 Canal street, Hill's map, in such manner as is usual in such cases. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Sewers to whom was referred December 6, 1851, the petition of Charles J. Smith to have refunded with interest the amount deposited by him in the City Treasury to defray preliminary expenses of building a sewer in Railroad Avenue, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution

Resolved, That a warrant for thirty dollars be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Charles J. Smith to refund the amount deposited by him in the Treasury to defray the preliminary expenses of building the Railroad avenue Sewer in case said improvement had not been proceeded with; but which now belongs to said Charles J. Smith the aforesaid sewer having bee completed. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Salaries Offices and Elections to whom was referred November 15, 1859, the petition of Adrain B. Reynolds and others to have Joseph W. Strober appointed bell ringer, presented a report thereon setting forth that they deem it inexpedient at the present time to make an appointment of Bell-ringer and recommending that the Bell be rung by the Policemen under the rules and regulations of the Fire-Commissioners.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The Com on Public Grounds and Buildings presented a communication from Stephen Quaife, Superintendent, certifying that the contract for building Station House, Cells and Bell Tower is completed according to plans and specifications, etc.

The communication was received, ordered filed and on motion of Alderman Hankins it was

Resolved, That the Station House and Bell Tower be placed in the possession of the Com on Police for the use of the police Department.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the following entitled ordinance presented September 6, 1859, was taken up for consideration, viz:

"An ordinance to provide for the laying of Iron Rail Tracks through certain streets of Jersey City by the Jersey City and Hoboken Horse Railroad Company."

The Ordinance was considered, amended, and on motion of Alderman Earle, was referred to the Com. on Streets with instructions to so amend it as to make it conform to the ordinance respecting the Jersey City and Bergen Horse Railroad Company.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Thurston and adopted:

Resolved, That the City Attorney be instructed to notify the proper parties to vacate Hudson street, between a point 100 feet south of Essex street and the Morris Canal Basin, forthwith, in order to have said street immediately improved.

The following preamble and resolution were presented by Ald. Thurston and adopted :

Whereas the owners of lots on the south side of Bright (formerly Grand) street have been notified to remove the buildings now encroaching on said south side of said street. And whereas they have neglected so to do within the prescribed time by said notice. Now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Corporation Attorney be instructed to bring actions of ejectment, or other appropriate actions against such owners in order that the said street shall be opened to its full width.

Ald Hnkins appeared and took his seat during the consideration of the Jersey City and Bergen Railroad ordinance.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the following entitled ordinance presented October 4, 1859, was taken up for consideration, viz.:

"An ordinance to authorize the Jersey City & Bergen Railroad Company to lay a single track of iron rails in certain streets of Jersey City."

On motion of Ald Thurston the first section of the ordinance was amended by striking out the words 'five feet six inches from outside to outside, and inserting in their place the words "a guage of four feet ten inches."

Ald Edge moved that the ordinance be laid upon the table. The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald Hardenberg, Edge and Decker.

Yeas—Pres Van Vorst, and Aldermen Christie, Earle, Edge, Hoffman and McBride.

Nays—Ald Brown, Clarke, Decker, Hardenbergh, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Ald Hankins

On motion of Alderman Thurston the fourth section was amended by striking out the word "repaired" and by inserting in its place the word "repaved."

Alderman Earle moved to amend the ordinance by inserting the following as a new section to be numbered as Section 9.

"That this ordinance shall go into effect as soon as the Bergen and Jersey City Horse Railroad Company shall first under their signature and seal agree that they will apply for, at the next session of the Legislature, and obtain if possible an amendment to their charter, so that in obtaining the consent of the Common Council of Jersey City to lay their rails, that they, the Railroad Co., shall be subject to such conditions as said Common Council by ordinance may have imposed upon them.

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the Yeas—Ald Brown, Christie, Earle, Edge, Hoffman, yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald Edge, Hardenbergh and Hoffman : McBride, Ogden and Thurston

Nays—Pres Van Vorst Clarke, Decker, Hardenbergh McLaughlin, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Ald Hankins.

Ald. Edge moved that the ordinance be laid upon the table. The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald Edge, Hoffman and Hardenbergh.

Yeas—Ald Christie, Edge, Hankins, Hoffman and McBride.

Nays—Pres Van Vorst, and Ald Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hardenbergh, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Ald Thurston moved that the 12th section of the ordinance be amended by striking out the words "and county." The motion was adopted

Ald Hankins moved that the 1st section of the ordinance be amended by striking out the words "Montgomery street."

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald Hardenbergh, Tilden and Edge

Yeas—Ald Christie, Edge, Hankins, Hoffman and McBride.

Nays—Pres Van Vorst and Ald Brown, Clarke, Deckers, Earle, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

The ordinance as amended was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Pres VanVorst and AldBrown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hardenbergh, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nay —Ald Christie, Edge, Hankins, Hoffman and McBride.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Hankins and adopted :

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn in favor of the Jersey City Fire Department Fund for one hundred and fifty dollars, this being the Annual Donation in accordance with the ordinance governing the Fire Department.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Hankins and adopted

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Stephen Quaife for one hundred and twenty-five dollars, this being his last payment for superintending the erection of the Station House and Bell Tower, and that the Mayor and City Clerk be and are hereby requested to sign the same

The following preamble and resolution were presented by Alderman Hankins and adopted

Whereas the Board of Trustees of the Jersey City Fire Department Fund Board of Officers and Board of Fire Commissioners have no suitable place to meet in and

Whereas the room adjoining the Recorder's Office in the new Station House would be a suitable place for their meetings. Therefore be it

Resolved, That the Common Council grant these different Boards the use of the aforesaid room.

The following preamble and resolution were presented by Alderman Thurston and adopted :

Whereas a building belonging to H M Traphagen on Newark avenue is on the sidewalk, and

Whereas H. M. Traphagan has been notified to remove the same and has neglected to do the same

Resolved, That the City Attorney be instructed to bring action of ejectment or other appropriate action and that the side walk be completed.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn in favor of the Board of Water Commissioners for the amount which may be standing to their credit on the 20th inst. with the City Treasurer, provided first however that the Comptroller shall first certify to the City Clerk the amount standing to the credit of WaterCommissioners.

On motion of Ald Clark the vote was reconsidered by which was adopted at last meeting the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on Lamps be and are hereby authorized to have the city gas lamps lighted every night during the months of December, January, February and March.

On motion of Ald Clark the resolution was laid upon the table.

On motion of Ald Hankins it was

Resolved, That the Com on Public Grounds and Buildings be authorized to have Station House and Third Ward School House insured in such company as will insure them at the lowest rates.

On motion of Ald Warner the Board then Adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.—OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday, December 20th, 1859, at 7½ o'clock, P M.

Present—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Clarke, Earle, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Aldermen Christie, Decker, Hankins and Tilden.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 13th inst. were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc, were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Petition of Lorin Brooks owner of lot No. 19 Grove Street in block No. 128 setting forth that said lot was sold June 7, 1858 for taxes of 1857, but that the same were previously paid to the Collector of Arrears of Taxes, and asking that said sale be cancelled, &c.

Referred to Com. on Finance.

Petition of James Lightbody for correction of an error in the assessment for the regulation of Prospect Street, so far as his lot No. 106 Newark avenue is concerned. Referred to Committee on Finance.

Remonstrance of H. M. Traphagen against the action of the Common Council directing the removal of his house from Newark Avenue between Jersey Avenue and Grove street. Referred to Com. on Streets.

Petition of Samuel D. Ellis to have charge of new Station House. Referred to Com. on Police.

Petition of John Marshall to be appointed a Policeman. Referred to Com. on Police.

Communication from the Secretary of the Morris Canal and Banking Company stating that in consenting to pay their tax bill for the year 1859, they have done so under protest. Received and ordered filed.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Of Charles J. Smith $41 63 ; Charles Scott $6 59, and William Williams $7.

Referred to Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of Commissioners of Appeal $60; John E. Scott $7 50, and John G. Langston $7 64.

Ref. to Com. on Salaries, Offices and Elections.

Alderman McBride being the only member of the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings present, by his request Alderman Brown was added to said Committee for the evening.

A claim of Mrs. Donohue amounting to $15 for cleaning the new Station House and City Prison was presented and referred to the Com on Public Grounds and Buildings, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid.

The following claims and account presented and referred to Committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of Philo Snow $10 50; Ward & McGown $9 25; Thomas Newham $6 50 ; Patrick Fallon $5, and Philo Snow $3 75.

The City Attorney to whom was referred December 13, 1859, the writ of certiorari to remove assessment on certain lots belonging to J. D. Miller for filling in sunken lots between Railroad avenue, Prospect and Morgan streets and Morgan, Prospect and Bay streets, presented a report thereon recommending that the writ be referred to the City Clerk for the purpose of enabling him to make a return according to law.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

A communication was presented from the Corporation Attorney certifying that he has examined the title to lot No. 72 as the same is laid down on S. W. Smith's map and that the title to said lot is perfect in Charles J. Smith.

The communication was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented an agreement executed by the Jersey City and Bergen Horse Railroad Company pursuant to the provision of the ordinance regulating said Company passed on the 13th instant.

The agreement was received and ordered filed in the Comptroller's office.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department enclosing returns of the following elections and transfer in and expulsion and resignations from said Department confirmed by the Commissioners of the Fire Department.

Elections of John W. Harrison by Hose Co. No. 3, and William W. Knight and Jeffrey Collins by Engine Co No. 3.

Transfer of Henry C. Smith from Hose Co. No. 3, to Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1.

Resignations of George Warren from Hook and Ladder Co. No. 2, James F. Fielder and Jacob Smidth from Engine Co. No. 3, and James A. Kemp from Engine Co. No. 4. Expulsion of W. H. Duryea from Hook and Ladder Co. No. 2.

The communications were received and the action of the Commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department was approved and confirmed.

The Com. on Finance reported a statement exhibiting the financial condition of the City to the 20th inst., as ascertained from the books of the Comptroller and furnished by him and recommending that the same be published in the minutes of the Common Council.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted. Said statement being as follows :

OUTSTANDING BONDS.

Bonds outstanding May 1, 1859...		$90,675 00
as follows viz, city bonds "old"	$76,175 00	
Improvement bonds,	3,500 00	
City stock bonds....	11,000 00	
Of the above amount of outstanding bonds the following may be deducted as not constituting a part of the permanent debt :		
Bonds issued for purchase of lots for City Hall, &c.....	11,500 00	
Bonds issued in anticipation of the collection of assessments.....	3,500 00	15,000 00
Actual permanent indebtedness of city, May 1st, 1859.....		75,675 00
Bonds outstanding Dec. 16, 1859,		158,904 34
as follows viz, city bonds "old"	102,775 00	
Coupon bonds.....	37,000 00	
City stock bonds....	11,000 00	
Improvement bonds,	8,129 34	
Of the above amount af outstanding bonds the following may be deducted as not constituting a part of the permanent debt :		
Bonds issued in anticipation of the collection of taxes of 1859.....	30,000 00	
Bonds issued in anticipation of the collection of taxes of 1858.....	10,000 00	
Bonds issued for purchase money of lots for City Hall, &c.....	11,500 00	
Bonds issued on acct. of Station House and Bell Tower.....	7,000 00	
Bonds issued in anticipation of the collection of assessments.....	8,129 34	66,620 34
Actual permanent indebtedness of the city, Dec. 16th, 1859.....		92,275 00
To the above amount may be added the following bonds to be issued and which will constitute a part of the permanent debt :		
Balance due for laying of Belgian pavement.....	500 00	
Lot for Engine-house in 4th ward	1,200 00	
Balance for erection of 3d ward school House	3,232 00	4,932 00
Total.....		$97,207 00

RECEIPTS ON ALL ACCOUNTS FROM MAY 1ST TO DEC. 16TH, 1859.

Bonds payable, moneys borrowed.....		$64,929 34
Sewers, collected on acct of Water Comm'rs.		8,855 46
Fines, amount collected by Recorder.....		294 00
Licenses.....		3,937 00
Taxes of 1854,		10 03
Taxes of 1855,		21 30
Taxes of 1856, $26,920 47		258 49
Taxes of 1857,		9381 50
Taxes of 1858,		258 49
Taxes of '59,		16,960 60
Assessments.....		5,248 50
Water rents of 1856, on acct of Water Com..		1,016 50
Interest received, from all sources.....		1,082 96
Contingent S. F., amount received from advertising, &c,		
By redemption.....		238 70
Redemption of lots.....		4,287 54
Alms House and Hospital.....		216 74
Pub. Schools, moneys from State.....		859 18
Rent received from property on Newark ave..		318 59
Contingent, fees, costs, &c., from City Clerk.		1,072 70
Balance in Treasury, May 1st, 1859.....		6,447 24
		$125,703 92
Deduct redemptions not received.....		271 87
		$125,432 05
Amount of warrants unpaid, Dec. 16, 1859...		1,516 03
		$126,948 08

EXPENDITURES ON ALL ACCOUNTS FROM MAY 1ST TO DEC. 16TH, 1859.

Bonds payable, amount paid.....	$24,300 00

Water Com. preparing water rents. &c., for sale		150 75
Van Vorst and Grand streets, sewer amt. refunded		150 00
Assessments, amount paid by warrants out of General Treasury		1,048 23
Improvement certificates, amount paid from collections and moneys borrowed on Imp. bonds		6,763 96
Redemption of lots, amt. paid by requisition		4,621 17
Taxes of 1856 paid by warrant,	$171 89	161 89
Taxes of 1858 paid by warrant,		10 00
Expenditures for general city purposes		69,335 55
		$106,544 37
Amount of warrants unpaid May 1, 1859		7,141 03
Balance in Treasury, Dec. 16, 1859		13,262 68
		$126,948 08

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES MADE, TAX ORDINANCE OF 1859.

	Appropriations.	Amount expended.	Amount unexpn'd
Streets repairing	$2000 00	5926 74	
Belgian pavement	5000 00	5000 00	
Lighting streets	9000 00	3497 23	5502 77
Police, support of	16000 00	9445 35	6554 65
Alms House and Hospital	5000 00	2815 25	2184 75
City Prison	600 00	233 69	276 31
Public Schools	11000 00	6544 14	4455 86
Fire Engine & Apparatus	1500 00	943 43	556 57
Salaries, payment of	10500 00	4800 00	5700 00
Stationery and Supplies	1000 00	8544 00	140 53
Elections, expenses of	300 00	5 00	295 00
Pub. Grounds & Buildings	2000 00	2064 24	
Interest, payment of	3500 00	4100 02	
Sinking Fund	500 00		500 00
Hamilton Square	1500 00	1260 80	239 20
Legal expenses	300 00	301 50	
Public health, protection of	300 00	22 78	277 22
Sewers, cleaning of	1000 00	773 12	226 88
4th of July, celebration of	500 00	454 90	45 10
Scrivener for City Clerk	400 00	200 00	200 00
Payment of bonds	10,000 00		10,000 00
Rent Pub. G. & Buildings	1500 00	471 25	1028 75
Issue of Coupon bonds	210 00	274 50	
Cleaning streets	2500 00	1363 44	1136 56
Bell to be placed in Bell T.	1 00 00		1200 00
Total			$30,020 15
Deduct appropriation for S. Fund,	$500 00		
Deduct excess of expenditures on a portion of above accounts	4727 00		5227 00
			$24,793 15
Credit, streets repairing, with acct collected from N. J. Railroad & Trans. Co., of assessments			$1,965 04
			26,758 19
Probable amount to be received from fines, licenses, costs, fees, &c., to be credited to above acct			12,000 00
Estimated amount to meet current expenses of the city to May 1st, 1860			$38,758 19

Although the Fire Department and Printing, Stationery and Supply accounts appear in this statement, with credit, I would make mention that bills have been ordered paid by the Common Council more than sufficient to consume their respective amounts.

STATEMENT OF MONEYS PAID DURING PRESENT FISCAL YEAR ON ACCT. OF APPROPRIATIONS OF FISCAL YEAR 1858,

For streets repairing	$497 07
do cleaning	5 5 00
do lighting	1843 71
For Police, support of	1306 12
For Alms House and Hospital	334 23
For City Prison	49 31
Public Schools	2 83
For Rent	353 75
For Fire Department	151 86
For salaries	560 81
For Printing, Stationery and Supplies	130 40
For Public Buildings	81 24
For legal expenses	4 00
For election	58 44
For Salaries	79 36
For Public School House, 3d ward	9375 09
For contingent expenses	148 80
	$15,662 33
The above to be credited with the following amounts, twelve thousand dollars being the amount of appropriation for Pub. School House in 3d ward, and seven hundred and twenty-two dollars seventy cents, being credited to contingent	$12,722 70
	$2,939 63
Add to last named amount, balance to be in cash, for Public School House	$2,625 00
	$5,564 63
Surplus to credit of deficiency, acct of 1858	$2,807 08
Deficiency to date for fiscal year 1858	$2,757 55

The Committee on Finance to whom was refered December 13, 1859, the communication from Jacob Weart, Esq., Attorney for Isaac I. Vanderbeck and others, parties assessed for the construction of a sewer in Railroad avenue, setting forth that although the assessment for building said sewer has been removed into the Supreme Court by certiorari their property is advertised for sale, &c; presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That all further proceedings relative to the sewer in Newark avenue, Railroad avenue and Wayne street, be stayed and the advertisement for sale be discontinued and withdrawn by the City Clerk for the reason that said assessment has been removed into the Supreme Court upon a writ of certiorari.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Com. on Finance to whom was referred November 22, 1859 the petition of John F. Richardson to have refunded to him purchase money and interest of lot bought by him at sale for Mercer street assessment for the reason that said assessment was set aside, &c., presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That a warrant for $81 35 with interest from March 25, 1857, at the rate of seven per cent. per annum be drawn in favor of John F. Richardson for purchase money of lot 16, corner of Mercer and Greene streets assessed to Michael Mullone in block 21 for assessment for the regulation of Mercer street from Washington to Grove street, said assessment having been set aside by the Supreme Court.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Com. on Finance reported the opinion of the Corporation Attorney as to the claim referred to him on the 13th instant of Henry E. Insley, Collector of Arrears of Taxes, amounting to $114 87; the report of the Committee recommending that said claim be returned to Henry E. Insley, Colector of Arrears of Taxes with instructions that he present a new claim in accordance with the opinion of the City Attorney. The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The Com. on Finance presented a report accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That the returns of the Collector of Taxes be placed in the hands of William T. Rogers, jr., a Justice of the Peace, for the purpose of making out the Tax warrant to be placed in the hands of the Collector of Arrears of Taxes. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Com. on Laws and Ordinances to whom were referred on the 6th instant the memorial of A. W. Powell and others, and the communication of the Hon. Jacob R. Wortendyke accompanying said memorial asking for the rigid enforcement of the laws for the observance of the Sabbath, &c., presented a report thereon recommending

"That the Chief of Police and members of that department be instructed to use renewed and increasing vigilance in causing the Sabbath day to be kept holy, and in arresting all guilty of a violation of the laws of the State or Ordinances of the city."

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The Com. on Police to whom was referred on the 13th instant the petition of E. Cunard, for the appointment of special constables, etc., presented a report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That the rule requiring a balloting be suspended, and that Alexander McMullin and Peter Peterson are hereby appointed Policemen to be detailed for special duty at and about the Cunard dock, the salary or compensation of said Policemen to be paid by E. Cunard and not by the Corporation of Jersey City. The report was received. The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst, Ald. Brown, Clarke, Earle, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Christie, Decker, Hankins and Tilden.

On motion of Alderman Thurston the vote was reconsidered by which was ordered paid at the last meeting of the Common Council the claim of R. S. Tilden, amounting to five hundred dollars.

The claim was then laid on the table on motion of Alderman Hardenbergh.

On motion of Alderman Earle the petition of John Condin presented Nov. 15th, 1859, was taken up for consideration. Alderman Earle moved

"That a warrant for fifteen dollars be drawn on the Treasurer of the City in favor of John Condin in full payment of his claim set forth in his petition presented November 15th, 1859, to be reimbursed for his services in attending to and boarding Jeremiah Sullivan, during the time he was suffering from his injuries caused by being stabbed."

The motion was adopted.

Alderman Thurston moved

"That the rule requiring a balloting be suspended, and that Charles P. Seely be appointed a Policeman to be detailed for special duty in the Fourth Ward; his compensation to be paid by the parties who employ him and not by the city."

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst, Ald. Brown, Clarke, Earle, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Christie, Decker, Hankins and Tilden.

The following preamble and resolution was presented by Ald Brown, and adopted:

Whereas, it is represented to this Common Council, that the acts of New York and Erie Railroad, by their agents and employees, are in the habit of delivering tickets whereby to cross the Hudson River, from Jersey City to New York, and after their arrival in Jersey City, should such travellers have occasion to stop in said city until after the passengers by any particular train have crossed, refusing to accept such tickets, to the reproach of Jersey City. Therefore be it

Resolved, that the matters hereinbefore set forth be referred to the committee on Ferries and Wharves, for the purpose of investigating the truth of such charges.

The following resolution was offered by Ald Warner, and adopted:

Resolved, that the resolution passed on the 6th inst., directing the drawing of a requisition on the Treasury, in favor of the Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Board of Education, for sixty-eight dollars and nineteen cents is hereby rescinded; and that warrants be drawn on the Treasurer of the city in favor of the claimants named in the requisition from the Board of Education, presented to this Common Council, Dec. 6, 1889, and for the amounts and objects therein stated.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman McLaughlin.

Resolved, That the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City sell to D. McLeod, the part of lot situate on Bright street, being a part of the west lot purchased for building the School House thereon, and not being necessary for the accommodation of said school

The resolution was referred to the committee on public grounds and buildings.

The following resolution was offered by Ald Hoffman, and adopted:

Resolved, that the Street Commissioner is hereby instructed to give notice to all parties on the north side of Newark avenue, to make their awnings to comply with the law which regulates the building of awnings, and to enforce the law in that respect.

The following resolution was offered by Ald Hoffman, and adopted:

Be it Resolved, that all persons hereafter employed to superintend any public work by the Common Council or committee of the same, before entering upon the performance of their duties shall become bound to the Mayor and Common Council in a bond, with no less a penalty than the sum of two thousand dollars, for the faithful performance of such duties.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Edge.

Resoved, that the Committee on Police be authorised to have the new Station House furnished at a cost not to exceed the sum of dollars.

On motion of Alderman Edge the blank of the resolution was filled with the words "three hundred" and the resolution was then adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Warner.

Resolved, that the Com. on Streets be and are hereby directed to open the side walk across Railroad avenue on the east side of Grove street, and lay the necessary bridge stones.

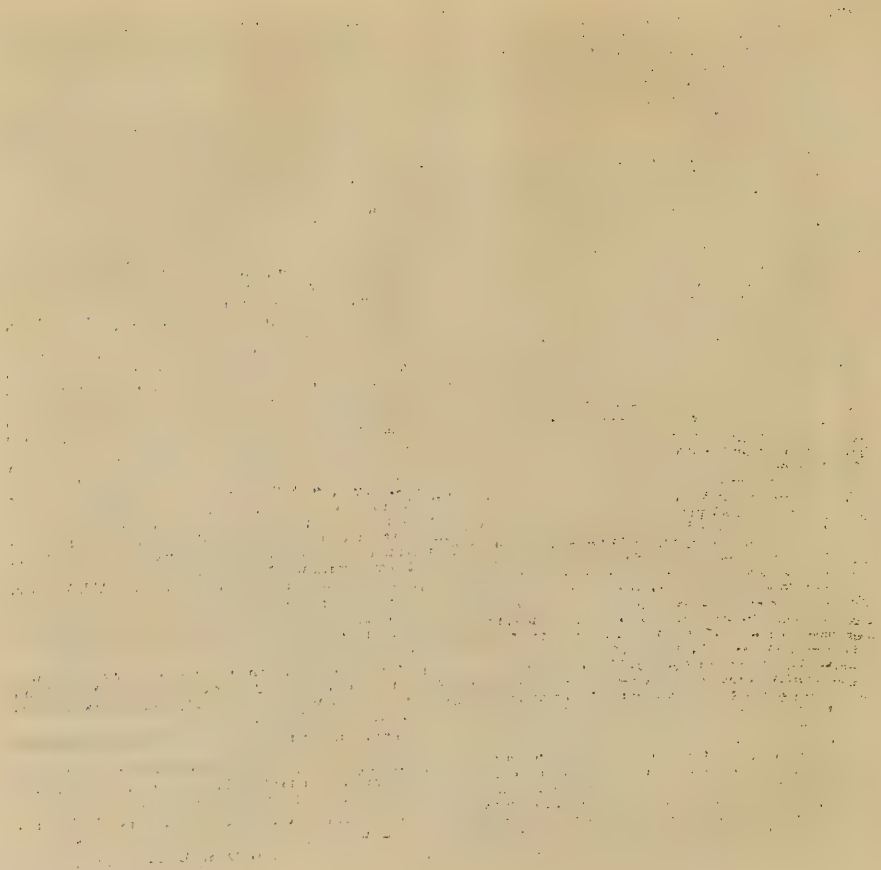
On motion of Alderman Thurston the resolution was amended by inserting between the words "east" and "side" the words "and west"; and the resolution as amended was adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted.

Resolved, That hereafter the City Clerk be instructed to have all sales for unpaid taxes or assessments advertised in both the papers of the city.

On motion of Alderman Edge the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.



COMMON COUNCIL.—OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday, December 27th, 1859, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston and Tilden.

Alderman Hoffman was absent at the calling of the roll but subsequently appeared and took his seat.

Absent—Aldermen Edge, Hankins and Warner.

The minutes of the regular meeting held on the 20th inst., were read and approved.

A petition of John F. Richardson to have the new Station House placed under his charge, was presented received and referred to the Com. on Police.

A petition of Edward Hope to have the flagging on Newark Avenue replaced, &c., was presented, received and referred to the Com. on Streets.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of A. B. Reynolds $4559 82; Estate of J. B. Coles $565 71; Edward Coles $309 62; Stephen Garretson $397 50; Keeney and Halliday $75 31; Hugh Keenan $196 25; I. B. and D. E. Culver $193, $118 and $49 29; John Coar $48 82; F. J. Mallory $34 82; Wm. Moore $1 25, and I. B. & D. E. Culver $22 25. Referred to the Com. on Streets.

Of Ward and McGown $35 89 and $11 82, and Wm. Hughes and Co. $5. Referred to Com. on Alms.

Of Samuel Hetherington $19 80, and I. B. and D. E. Culver $6. Referred to Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of Samuel Hetherington $9 21 and $6 89. Referred to Com. on Fire and Water.

Of A. O. Zabriskie $75. Referred to Com. on Laws and Ordinances.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct, and ordered paid, viz:

Of R. D. McClelland $105 71, and H. A. Insley $79 77.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board, were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Japhet Jardine $91 55; Commissioners of Appeal $60; Charles J. Smith $41 63; John E. Scott $7 50; William Williams $7; Charles Scott $6 50, and C. C. Stager $4 23.

A claim of John G. Langston, amounting to $7 64, for fitting up 2d Ward polls for election purposes, presented and referred to the committee on Salaries, Offices and Elections, December 20, 1859, was reported correct by said committee for $6, and that amount was ordered paid.

A communication was presented from R. Skinner Tilden, one of the Assessors setting forth that he has finished his duties as Assessor for the 3d and 4th wards, and asking that his bill be taken from the table and disposed of according to law.

The communication was received and ordered filed.

The Com. on Finance to whom was referred on the 20th instant, the petition of Lorin Brooks, owner of lot No. 19 Grove street in block No. 128, setting forth that said lot was sold June 7, 1858, for taxes of 1857, but that the same were previously paid to the Collector of Arrears of Taxes, presented a report thereon stating that said lot had not been erroneously sold but owing to a clerical error of the Assessors, the lot adjoining assessed to S. P. Townsend, and also marked No. 19, was the one really sold, &c.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The Com. on Finance, to whom was referred on the 13th instant the petition of John Patten, Jr., to have refunded with interest, purchase money of lots bought by him at sales of November 8, 1856, for water rents, and June 23d, 1856, for taxes of 1855, the same having been erroneously described as sold, &c., presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the City Clerk be instructed to draw a warrant for the return of purchase money, with interest at the rate of 7 per cent. per annum, paid into the Treasury by John Patten, Jr., for the redemption of lots Nos. 5, 6, 7 and 8, block 105, sold for unpaid water rents, November 8, 1856.

Resolved, That the City Clerk be instructed to draw a warrant for the return of purchase money, with interest at the rate of 7 per cent. per annum, paid into the Treasury by John Patten, Jr., at a sale of lots 125 to 128 inclusive, Grand St., block No. 5, for taxes of 1855, and parts of lots 18, 19, 20 and 21, Pavonia ave., block 108, sold June 23d, 1856, for unpaid taxes of 1855.

Resolved, That the City Clerk be instructed to cancel said property and deliver the warrants as hereinbefore mentioned to the said John Patten, Jr., upon the delivery to him of the said declarations of sale.

Resolved, That the City Clerk be instructed to readvertise for unpaid taxes of 1855 the following described property, viz:

Lots 125 to 128 Grand Street, block 6.

Part of lots 18, 19, 20, 21 Pavonia avenue, block 132.

The report was received and the resolutions were adopted.

The Com. on Laws and Ordinances to whom were referred November 29, 1859, the notices served upon the Chairman of the Com on Salaries, Offices and Elections and the City Clerk by Chancellor W. Chase, Constable, notifying them that by virtue of an execution he has levied upon money belonging to Barton T. Bodine in the hands of the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City to the amount of $19 96, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That the notices served upon the City Clerk and the Chairman of the Com. on Salaries as to levy upon monies in the hands of the Mayor and Common Council belonging to Barton T. Bodine, being invalid and ineffectual for any purpose, be disregarded and for nothing holden, and the monies due said Bodine be ordered paid as though said notice had not been served.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings presented a report of the arbitrators in the matter of the claim of Terrence Beirne (assigned to George S. Gardner) for labor and materials furnished for the embellishment of Washington Square: accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That a warrant for five hundred dollars and forty eight cents be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of George S. Gardner assignee of claim of Terrence Beirne against the Corporation of Jersey City for labor and materials furnished in the embellishment of Washington Square that being the amount reported by the arbitrators to whom said matter was referred, as due; said amount being in full of all claims and demands of said Terrence Beirne and George S. Gardner against the City for labor and materials furnished for said Square. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh, Tilden and McLaughlin.

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Decker, Earle, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden and Tilden.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst, Ald. Clarke, Hardenbergh and Thurston.

Absent—Ald. Edge, Hankins, Hoffman and Warner.

(Alderman Hoffman appeared and took his seat.)

A communication was presented from James A. Alexander and J. C. Brautigam in reference to the 3d ward Public School House and the sale of a portion of the lots on which said School House stands.

The communication was received.

Alderman Hardenbergh offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Common Council deem it inexpedient to dispose of any portion of the ground now owned by the city and occupied for the purposes of a Third Ward School House.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald. Hardenbergh, Tilden and Decker:

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Earle, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McLaughlin, Ogden and Tilden.

Nays—Ald. Decker, McBride and Thurston.

Absent—Ald. Edge, Hankins and Warner

Alderman Clarke presented copies of "Time tables for lighting and extinguishing street lamps at Jersey City and Hoboken," and the same were received and ordered to be distributed amongst the members of the Common Council and the Police Department.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the claim of R. Skinner Tilden, amounting to five hundred dollars for salary as Assessor, were taken from the table and ordered paid.

On motion of Alderman Hoffman the vote was reconsidered by which the following resolution was adopted at the last meeting.

Resolved, That the Street Commissioner is hereby instructed to give notice to all parties on the north side of Newark Avenue to make their awnings to comply with the law which regulates the building of awnings and to enforce the law in that respect.

On motion of Alderman Hoffman the resolution was then laid upon the table.

Ald. McLaughlin presented two policies of insurance effected in the Merchants' Insurance Company of New York, on the Third Ward Public School House, and on the Station House, and the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant for sixty dollars be drawn in favor of the Merchants' Insurance Company, and that his Honor the Mayor and City Clerk be requested to sign the same.

The policies were ordered filed in the Comptroller's office and the resolution was adopted.

Ald. McLaughlin presented two policies of insurance effected in the Jersey City Insurance Company on the Third Ward Public School House and on the Station House, and a renewal of insurance in the same company on Hook and Ladder House No. 2, and the following resolution :

Resolved, That a warrant for sixty-seven dollars and fifty cents be drawn in favor of the Jersey City Insurance Company, and that his Honor the Mayor and City Clerk be requested to sign the same.

The policies of insurance and the renewal were ordered filed in the Comptroller's office, and the resolution was adopted.

Alderman Thurston presented a certificate of I. B. & D. E. Culver, City Surveyors, that there is due to A. B. Reynolds an Improvement Certificate for two hundred and fifty dollars for work and material furnished on the improvement of Newark Avenue from Jersey street to Warren street, according to the terms of his contract The certificate was received and ordered filed.

Alderman Thurston moved "That an Improvement certificate be issued, under the direction of the Com. on Finance, in favor of Adrian B. Reynolds for Two hundred and fifty dollars for work and materials furnished on the improvement of Newark Avenue from Jersey Street to Warren Street according to the terms of his contract, and that his Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the seal of the City, thereto.

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst, Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston and Tilden.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Edge, Hankins and Warner.

Alderman Thurston presented a Certificate of I. B. & D. E. Culver, City Surveyors, that there is due to Jas. F. Fielder, contractor, an Improvement Certificate for the sum of one thousand dollars for work and materials furnished on the improvement of Bright Street.

The certificate was received and ordered filed.

Alderman Thurston moved "That an improvement certificate be issued under the direction of the Com. on Finance, in favor of James F. Fielder for the sum of one thousand dollars for materials furnished and work done on the improvement of Bright street, according to the terms of his contract, and that his Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the seal of the city thereto.

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Pres Van Vorst, Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston and Tilden.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Edge, Hankins and Warner.

On motion of Ald. Hardenbergh the vote was reconsidered by which the following resolution was adopted at the last meeting :

Resolved, That the returns of the Collector of Taxes be placed in the hands of Wm. T. Rodgers, Jr., a Justice of the Peace, for the purpose of making out the tax warrant to be placed in the hands of the Collector of Arrears of Taxes.

The resolution was then laid upon the table, on motion of Ald. Hardenbergh.

Ald. Hardenbergh presented the following entitled ordinance, and the same was laid upon the table.

"An Ordinance establishing a Board of Health."

On motion of Alderman Clarke the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.—OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday, January 3, 1860, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Aldermen Christie, Edge, and Hankins.

The minutes of the regular meeting of December 27, 1859, were read and approved.

A petition of Evan Jones, Chairman of Trustees of Bethesda Baptist Church to have a gas lamp placed in front of their church in South 4th street between Erie street and Jersey Avenue was presented, received and referred to the Com. on Lamps with power.

An agreement on the part of the Jersey City and Hoboken Horse Railroad Company to apply to the Legislature for amendments to the charter of said company was presented and received.

A writ of certiorari to remove into the Supreme Court the assessment on certain lots belonging to Victor Piard and others, for construction of a sewer in Essex, Van Vorst and Grand streets, and an order of said Court staying further proceedings were presented, received and referred to the Corporation Attorney.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Of H. Goetschius $45,83 ; A. B. Reynolds $44,12 ; J. F. Richardson $29,50 ; Mrs. Ann Eaton $15, and Hugh Billingsley $12. Referred to Com. on Lamps.

Of Hunt & Armstrong $574 58 ; P. H. Nugent $60,-38 and W. W. Lee $7 77. Referred to Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings

Of Drayton & Durant $130 62 ; Hugh Reilly $41 52, and S. Billington & Co., $39. Referred to Com. on Alms.

Of Thomas Howe $15 54 ; P. H. Nugent $12 24, and H. Goetschius $9 50. Referred to Com. on Fire and Water.

Of J. F. Richardson $12 ; P. H. Nugent $11 87, and W. W. Lee $10. Referred to Com. on Police.

Of P. H. Nugent $3 62 and W. W. Lee $1 25. Referred to Com. on Salaries, Officers and Elections.

Of William B. Dunning $102 10. Referred to Com. on Finance.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of Police Department $330 72 ; Matthew Erwin $37 93 ; A & H. Brown & Co's, $10 99 and N. R. Fowler $7 21.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of Stephen Garretson $37 50 ; Edward Coles $300,-62 ; Ward and McGown $5 80 ; Samuel Hetherington $9 21, $68,9 and Wm. Hughes & Co., $5 ; I. B. and D. E. Culver $22 25 and John Coar $48 82.

A claim of Estate of J. B. Coles amounting to $365,-71 for furnishing and laying bridge stone and curbing around Hamilton Square and moving cobble stones along line of street and grading street, etc., presented and referred to Committee on Streets, December 27, 1859 was reported correct by said committee for $214,-45 and that amount was ordered paid.

A claim of Ward and McGown amounting to $14 82 for groceries for Alms House, etc., presented and referred to Com. on Alms, December 27, 1859, was reported correct by said committee for $14 22, and that amount was ordered paid.

A report of the City Treasurer for the month of December 1859, showing balance in treasury December 31, 1859, of $3461 82 was presented, received and ordered filed.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to the Com. on Streets, December 27, 1859, were reported correct by said committee and the claims were then referred to the Board of Commissioners for Assessments to be assessed, viz :

Of A. B. Reynolds for improvement of Newark Ave., $4559 82 ; F. J. Mallory for extra work on Newark Avenue $34 80 ; Hugh Keenan for superintending work and materials on Newark Avenue $196 25 ; I. B. & D. E. Culver for surveys, calculations and assessment maps for the improvement of Newark Avenue from Jersey Avenue to Warren Street $193 ; Keeney and Halliday for work and materials furnished on the improvement of east side of Grove street from Mercer street to Bay street including intersections $275 31 ; William Moore for superintending the flagging on the east side of Grove street between Mercer and Bay sts., $61 25 ; I. B. & D. E. Culver for surveys, calculations and assessment map for the improvement of the east side of Grove street from Mercer street to Bay street, including intersections, $49 29 and of I. B. and D. E. Culver for surveys, calculations and assessment map for the opening of Jersey street from Railroad Avenue to Newark Avenue $118 00.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh :

Resolved, That the sale of lot 214 Canal street, in block A, for taxes of 1854, amounting to seven dollars and thirty-two cents, made by this corporation July 27th, 1855, be cancelled of record by the City Clerk, for the reason that said taxes were previously paid to Lorenzo Jaquins, collector of taxes for the year 1854, by Patrick Shannon, the owner of said lot, and that a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the purchaser of said lot for the purchase money and interest, at the rate of seven per cent. per annum, and be delivered to said purchaser on his surrendering to the City Clerk for cancelling the declaration of sale for said lot. The resolution was adopted.

The following preamble and resolutions were offered by Ald. McBride :

Whereas serious charges have been made implicating officer O'Donnell in conniving at and aiding in the escape of the man who brutally assaulted Mr. Patrick Coyle on Sunday morning, January 1, 1860. Therefore be it

Resolved, That officer O'Donnell be suspended by the Mayor from police duty until the charges made against him are fully investigated

Resolved, That the Committee on Police be instructed to investigate this matter forthwith and report the facts to this Board.

On motion of Ald. Thurston the first resolution was amended by striking out the words "that officer O'Donnell be suspended by the Mayor," and inserting in their place the words "that his Honor the Mayor be requested to suspend officer O'Donnell."

The preamble and resolutions as amended were adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman McLaughlin and adopted.

Resolved, That the Com. on Fire and Water be empowered to purchase one thousand feet of leather hose for the use of the Fire Department.

The Com. on Finance to whom was referred December 20, 1859, the communication from James Lightbody for correction of alleged error in the assessment on his lot for regulation of Prospect street presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That the City Clerk be instructed to cancel of record the sale of lot 412 assessed to "Unknown Owner" for the regulation of Prospect street, said lot having been erroneously assessed. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the vote by which the following resolution was laid upon the table at the last meeting was reconsidered.

Resolved, That the returns of the Collector of Taxes be placed in the hands of William T. Rodgers, jr., a Justice of the Peace, for the purpose of making out the Tax warrant to be placed in the hands of the Collector of Arrears of Taxes.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the resolution was then adopted.

On motion of Alderman Clarke it was

Resolved, That the action of the Common Council at the last meeting in reference to the time table for lighting and extinguishing street lamps be rescinded, and the committee on lamps empowered to correct said time table, and then distribute corrected copies amongst the members of the Common Council and the Police Department.

The Committee on Streets reported back the following entitled ordinance, referred to them December 13th, 1859, viz :

"An ordinance to provide for the laying of iron rail tracks through certain streets of Jersey City by the Jersey City and Hoboken Horse Railroad Company."

During the consideration of the ordinance, Ald. Earle obtained leave and retired.

The ordinance was amended, and as amended was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Clarke, Hardenbergh, McLaughlin, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Decker, Hoffman, McBride, Ogden and Thurston.

Absent—Aldermen Christie, Earle, Edge and Hankins.

On motion of Alderman Thurston the vote was reconsidered by which the ordinance was lost ; and on motion of Alderman Hoffman it was then recommitted to the Com. on Streets.

On motion of Alderman Tilden the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSIDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.—OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday, January 10, 1860, at 7½ o'clock, P.M.

Present—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, and Warner.

Absent—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Hoffman and Tilden.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 3d inst. were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, &c., were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Petition of the Mariners' Savings Institution of the city of New York to have coupon bonds issued to them in exchange for three bonds they now hold.

Referred to Com. on Finance

Remonstrance of Abraham Becker and Daniel Van Winkle, stockholders in the Jersey City and Bergen Point Plank Railroad Company against the granting of permission to the Jersey City and Bergen Point Horse Railroad Co, to lay tracks through the middle of Grand street, etc. Referred to Com. on Streets.

Petition of E. Marsh, President of the Morris Canal and Banking Company asking that Hudson street south of Essex street be left as it is for the present.

Referred to Com. on Streets.

Petition of Michael Mullone for the establishment of night schools. Referred to Com. on Schools.

Communication from Keeney & Halladay proposing to change the mode of heating the Public School Houses in the Third Ward. Referred to Committee on Publice Grounds and Buildings.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Of Brinkerhoff & Son $119 50; Ward & McGow $90 55; R. A. & H. T. Wood $20 87; Ward & McG wn 20 50; Isaac Wakefield $21 44; Passaic Ice Co., $3 78, and Charles N. Betts $2 92. Referred to Com. on Alms.

Of Passaic Ice Co., $18 72; Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Co., $13 40; Passaic Ice Co., $10 08, and $3 24. Referred to Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Co., $78 12: Japhet Jardine $8 95, and Philip Becker $3 61. Ref. to Com on Fire and Water.

Of Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Co., $1974,-11. Ref. to Com on Lamps.

Of Keeney and Halladay $75. Ref. to the Special Com. on the improvement of Hamilton Square.

Of Passaic Ice Co., $10 50. Ref. to Com. on Police.

Of Charles N. Betts $2 25. Ref. to Com. on Streets.

Alderman Clarke being the only member of the Com. on Lamps present, requested the appointment of a member of the Board to serve on said committee for this meeting; whereupon the President appointed Alderman Decker to serve pro tempore.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of John McGuigan $550; Uzal Cory $337, and Nathaniel Ellis $31 62.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of H. Goetschius $45,83; A. B. Reynolds $44,12; Hugh Reilly $41 52; S. Billington $30; J. F. Richardson $29 50; Samuel Hotherington $19 80; Thos. Howe $15 54; Mrs. Ann Eaton $15; P. H. Nugent $12 24; J. F. Richardson $12; Hugh Billingsley $12; P. H. Nugent $11 87; W. W. Lee $10; H. Goetchins $9 59; W. W. Lee $7.77; I. B. and D. E. Culver $6 00, and W. W. Lee $1 25.

A claim of Wm. B. Dunning, amounting to $102 10, for printing and advertising, presented and referred to the Committee on Finance January 3d, 1860, was reported correct by said committee for $94 10, and that amount was ordered paid.

A claim of Drayton and Durant amounting to $130 62 for bread for Alms House Department, presented and referred to Com. on Alms January 3d, 1860, was reported correct by said committee for $130 55, and that amount was ordered paid.

On motion of Alderman Thurston the action of the Common Council was rescinded by which at the last meeting the claims of I. B and D. E. Culver for surveys, etc., on the opening of Jersey Street from Newark Avenue to Railroad Avenue amounting to $118 00 and of F. J Mallory for extra work on Newark Avenue amounting to $34 86, were referred to the Board of Commissioners for Assessments to be assessed; and on motion of the same Alderman the said claims were ordered paid.

The City Attorney to whom were referred on the 3d instant the writ of certiorari to remove in to the Supreme Court the assessment on certain lots belonging to Victor Piard, William Harney, William Chilver, David W. Stone, William Clarke, Thomas H. Shafer, James Whyte, Archibald McLeod Henderson, Daniel G. Elliot and Ann Eliza his wife, and George W. Gregory, for construction of a sewer in Essex, Van Vorst and Grand Streets, and an order of said Court staying further proceedings presented a report thereon recommending "that the writ be referred to the City Clerk in order that a proper return may be made thereto" and "that the order staying further proceedings should be obeyed until the further order of the Court only as to the lots of the respective prosecutors and not as to lots assessed to any other party."

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The City Clerk presented a writ served upon him January 7, 1860, at twenty minutes past 4 o'clock p. m., by the Sheriff of Hudson county, attaching the rights, credits, etc., of Theodore Hunt and Lancelot W. Armstrong, at the suit of Stephen Eaton, etc. The writ was referred to the Com. on Laws and Ordinances.

The City Clerk presented to the Board the return of delinquents delivered to him on the 10th instant by the Collector of taxes; and on motion of Ald. Hardenbergh it was

Resolved, That the returns of the Collector of Taxes be placed in the hands of William T. Rodgers, Jr., Justice of the Peace, for the purpose of making out the Tax Warrant to be placed in the hands of the Collector of arrears of taxes.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice "that application will be made at the next session of the State Legislature for sundry amendments to the charter of Jersey City."

The report was received and ordered filed.

The Com. on Streets to whom was recommitted January 3, 1860, the following entitled ordinance, viz : "An ordinance to authorise the Jersey City and Hoboken Horse Railroad Company to lay a single track of iron rails in certain streets of Jersey City" reported back said ordinance with sundry amendments.

The report was received and the ordinance was laid upon the table.

Subsequently on motion of Alderman Hardenbergh, the ordinance was taken up for consideration.

The ordinance as reported by the Committee was then passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst, Ald. Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Nays—Ald Edge and Hankins.

Absent—Ald. Brown, Christie, Hoffman and Tilden.

The Com. on Streets reported the following resolution :

Resolved, That warrants be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the parties to whom damages have been awarded by the Commissioners in the matter of the opening of Jersey street for the amounts respectively named as awarded to said parties.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Com. on Police, to whom was referred October 11, 1859, the communication of Peter N. Horsley preferring charges against policemen Valade, Chazotte and Bennett, for committing an assault upon him, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolutions :

Resolved, That officers Valade, Chazotte and Bennett are deserving of, and they do hereby receive the reprimand of this Common Council for their unwarrantable arrest of Peter N. Horsley.

Resolved, That Peter N. Horsley, by reason of his conduct and insults towards the above named officers is not entitled to any consideration upon the part of his Common Council when he seeks our aid in revenging himself upon the said policemen by obtaining their dismissal from the Department.

The report was received.

On motion of Ald. Thurston the first resolution was laid upon the table. The second resolution was adopted.

The Com. on Police to whom were referred November 29, 1859, the claim of E. B. Wakeman, Esq., for services rendered Policemen Chazotte, Bennett and Valade in defending them against indictment of Peter N. Horsely, amounting to $30, and the taxed bill of costs amounting to $67 29 and the petition of Policemen Chazotte, Valade and Bennett to have said bills paid, returned the same and they were laid upon the table.

Subsequently on motion of Alderman Clarke, the petition and claims were taken from the table.

Alderman Clarke moved that the claims be paid.

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh, Edge and Decker.

Yeas—Ald. Clarke, and Decker.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst, Ald. Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Brown, Christie, Hoffman and Tilden.

Alderman Earle gave notice that at the next meeting of the Board he will move to reconsider the vote just had.

Ald. Hankins from the Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings presented a bond of John J. Hill with William White and John Chilver, as sureties, for the fulfilment of John J. Hill's contract to build a house for Hose Company No. 2. The bond was received and referred to the Corporation Attorney.

Ald. Earle offered the following resolution.

Resolved, That the Corporation Attorney is hereby instructed to prepare and report to this Board at its next regular meeting such amendment or amendments to the Charter as will make the tenure of office for the officers and members of the Police Department "during good behavior," instead of for "one year" as the law now stands. The resolution was adopted.

Ald. McLaughlin offered the following resolution.

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to report at the next meeting of this Board such amendments to the City Charter as may be deemed necessary to obtain before this session of the Legislature.

The resolution was adopted; and Ald. McLaughlin, Thurston and Clarke were appointed the committee.

Ald. Hankins, from the Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings, presented a certificate of Stephen Quaife, Superintendent, that there is due to John J. Hill, five hundred dollars, being for first payment on his contract for building Hose Carriage House No. 2, and offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on finance issue a bond for five hundred dollars in favor of John J. Hill; bond bearing date January 10th, 1860, to run fifteen years, with interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum, payable half yearly; and the Mayor and City Clerk be and are hereby requested to sign the same; this being the first payment, according to contract for building Hose House No. 2, in the 4th ward, accompanied by the Superintendent's certificate.

The certificate was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Brown, Christie, Hoffman and Tilden.

Alderman Hankins moved "that the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings be empowered to remove the Comptroller's office to the room now occupied by the Recorder, as soon as the same shall be vacated by that officer." The motion was lost.

On motion of Ald. Hankins it was resolved, That the Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings be instructed to report at the next meeting of the Board what changes are necessary to be made in the location of City Officers.

On motion of Alderman Clarke the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.—OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday, January 17, 1860, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McEAde Ogden, Thurston, and Warner.

Ald. Tilden was absent on the calling of the roll, but subsequently appeared and took his seat.

Absent—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Edge, Hankins and McLaughlin.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 10th inst. were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, &c., were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz. :

Petition of Alexander Hamilton and others to have the sidewalks on Barrow street, from Newark avenue to York street, flagged eight feet in width wherever the same is not already flagged that width.

Ref. to the Com. on Streets.

Petition of Charles S. Archer and others to have Prospect street, from Pavonia avenue to the northerly boundary of Jersey City, regulated and paved.

Referred to the Com. on Streets.

Petition of John B. Vroom to have refunded to him the purchase money paid for lot 24, South 3d street, in block 205, at the assessment sale of July 29th, 1857

Ref. to the Com. on Finance.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Of Peter D. Vroom $125 ; P. M. Sanderling $50 ; Henry A. Greene $7 93 ; $3 88 ; Cronham and Wetterson $2 73 and Henry A. Greene $1 88.

Ref. to Com. on Salaries, Offices and Elections.

Of Thomas Connolly $27 72 ; T. C. Brown, Atty., $7 50 and L. T. Sowell $6.

Referred to Com. on Police.

Of William Moore $23 40. Ref. to Com. on Streets.

Of Cronham & Wetterson $21 71. Ref. to Com. on Alms.

Of Henry F. Niblett $2 23. Ref. to Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Alderman Clarke being the only member of the Com. on Lamps, present, requested that a member of the Board be associated with him for this meeting, whereupon Alderman Decker was appointed.

A claim of Charles Van Brunt amounting to $5 60 for alteration in iron railing at Recorder's office in New Station House, was presented, received, referred to the Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz.

Of Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Co., $1974 11; Brinkerhoff & Son $119 50 ; Ward & McGown $90 85 ; R. A. & H. T. Wood $30 87 ; Ward & McGown $29 50; Passaic Ice Co. $3 78. and Charles N. Betts $2 92.

A claim of Isaac Wakefield amounting to $21 44, for repairing stoves, etc., at Alms House, presented and referred to Com. on Alms January 10th, 1860, was reported correct by said Com. for $21 54, and that amt. was ordered paid.

Ald. Earle, from the Com. on Assessments, presented the report, map and schedule of the Board of Commissioners for assessments for the improvement of Coles street, from South 4th street to South 2d street, and the same were received and ordered filed in the city clerk's office.

Ald. Earle, from the Com. on Assessments, presented the report, map and schedule of the Board of Commissioners for assessments of the improvement of sidewalk on the east side of Grove street, from Mercer street to Bay street, and the same were received and ordered filed in the City Clerk's office.

A communication was presented from the Board of Commissioners for assessments in reference to the improvement and regulation of South 2d street, from Provost street to Newark avenue including intersections, setting forth that in their opinion they have no legal authority to make up and report the assessment until the whole work contemplated by the ordinance is completed.

The communication was received and ordered filed.

The following communication was presented from the Board of Education

Board of Education—To the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City :

At a meeting of the Board of Education held on Monday evening January 16, 1860, it was resolved by the votes of all the members present, the yeas and nays being taken, that requisition be made upon the Common Council for the payment of the following claims :

In favor of the Board of Education for salaries three months to Feb. 1.....$2478 88

In favor of John Van Vorst, Rent 3 months to

Feb. 1.....	25 75
Charles Van Brunt, repairs.....	4 00
P. H. Nugent, repairs.....	21 50
C. H. O'Neil, for sand.....	1 25
John B. Haight, for shovel.....	1 00
H. A. Greene for books and stationary.....	84 90

P. D. VROOM, Cons.

January 17, 1860.

The communication was received, and the following resolution were presented by Alderman Warner and adopted.

Resolved, That a requisition be made on the City Treasury in favor of the Chairman of the Committee on Finance of the Board of Education for the amount of salaries due teachers for the quarter ending February 1st, 1860.

Resolved, That warrants be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the claimants named in the requisition from the Board of Education for the amounts respectively named.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice that "application will be made at the next session of the State Legislature for an act to provide for the opening of Montgomery street and vacating Gregory street, in Jersey City."

The report was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented an assignment executed by Theodore Hunt and Lancelot W. Armstrong to Stephen Eason of their claim for extra work on Station House ; and a communication from Charles H. Winfield, Esq., attorney for Stephen Eason, stating that the attachment suit of said Eason has been discontinued on motion in open court, and the property thereby attached released—accompanied by a certificate of the City Attorney, setting forth that the suit having been discontinued on motion in open court, the Common Council have full power to proceed on Hunt and Armstrong's claim against the city as if the said attachment had never been issued.

The assignment and communication were referred to the Com. on Laws and Ordinances.

A communication was presented from the City Attorney in answer to a resolution of the 10th inst., enclosing two enactments providing for the tenure of office for the officers and members of the Police Department during good behavior, one of said enactments providing for the nomination of policemen by the Mayor, and their confirmation by the Common Council ; the other providing for the appointment of policemen by the Common Council without the action of the Mayor.

The communication and enactments were received.

The following resolution was offered by Ald Earle :

Resolved, That a draft be prepared by the Corporation Attorney and presented at this meeting so amending the City Charter, as to provide for the nomination of Officers and members of the Police Department by the Mayor and their confirmation by the Common Council is hereby approved ; and that a certified copy of said proposed amendatory act be forwarded by the City Clerk to the Senator and Assemblymen from Hudson County, with a request that they use their best efforts to procure its speedy passage by the Legislature.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Thurston, Warner and McBride.

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst, Ald. Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hoffman, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Nays—Ald. Hardenbergh and McBride.

Absent—Ald. Brown, Christie, Edge, Hankins, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Alderman Tilden appeared and took his seat.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, enclosing returns of the following elections, resignations, expulsions and transfer in said Department confirmed by the Commissioners of the Fire Department.

Elections of John Metz by Engine Co. No. 1 ; James Barry and Abm. Liming by Engine Co. No. 3, and Thomas Bigey by Engine Co. No. 4.

Resignations of Jeremiah Clary from Engine Co. No. 2, A. McI. Henderson and Richard Taylor from Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1.

Transfer of Nathan R. Fowler from Hose Co. No. 3, to Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1.

Expulsions of Jacob Cisco from Co. No. 2 and William Gautier from Engine Co. No. 3.

The communications were received and the action of the Commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department was approved and confirmed.

The Com. on Finance to whom was referred Jan. 10, 1860, the petition of the Mariners' Savings Institution of the City of New York for a change of city bonds of the old form for new coupon bonds, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following preamble and resolutions :

Whereas city bonds, No. 145 and 146, issued to Hunt and Armstrong, of New York, for erection of tempora-

ty City Hall, Station House and Bell Tower, have been by them assigned to the Mariners' Savings Institution of the city of New York. And

Whereas the said holders of said bonds above described desire the same exchanged for the new coupon city bonds. And

Whereas said bonds bear interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum. Therefore

Resolved, That when the said Mariners' Savings Institution shall have deposited in the office of the Comptroller city bonds Nos. 145 and 146, the Comptroller shall deliver to them a certificate that the said bonds as above described have been deposited by the said Mariners' Savings Institution, in his office, thereupon the Commi tee on Finance shall upon the delivery of such certificate to them issue their requisition upon the Mayor and City Clerk for three coupon bonds, in the sum of one thousand dollars each, bearing interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum, said bonds to be dated January 2d, 1860, and to be drawn payable as follows: One bond August 2d, 1874; two bonds Aug. 27th, 1874.

Resolved, That the Mayor be requested and the City Clerk be instructed to sign, and the City Comptroller to countersign, said bonds, and the City Treasurer to sign the coupons thereunto attached, provided, first however, that the City Comptroller shall not countersign said new bonds until he shall first have marked upon said old bonds the words "cancelled by exchange for coupon bonds."

The report was received.

The preamble and resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hardenbergh, McBride, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nay—Ald. Hoffman.

Absent—Ald. Brown, Christie, Edge, Hankins and McLaughlin.

The Com. on Schools to whom was referred on the 10th instant the petition of Michael Mullone for the establishment of night schools, reportrd back said petition and recommended that it be referred to the Board of Education.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The Com. on Assessments presented a report in reference to the report, map and schedule of the Board of Commissioners for Assessments of the improvement of side walk on the east side of Grove Street from Mercer street to Bay street, presented this evening and ordered filed in the City Clerk's office; the report of the committee recommending the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved, That the City Clerk is hereby directed to give notice through the the Corporation paper that the Board of Commissioners for Assessments report map and schedule of the improvement of side walk on east side of Grove street from Mercer to Bay street are on file in the City Clerk's office No. 23 Montgomery street and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber on Tuesday 31st January instant at 7½ o'clock, P.M to consider said assessment, and to receive and consider all objections thereto, which may be present d in writing.

The report was received and the resolu ion adopted.

The Com. on Assessments presented a report in reference to the report, map and schedule of the Board of Commissioners for Assessments of the improvement of Coles street b tween South 4th street and South 2d street, presented this evening and ordered filed in the City Clerk's office; the report of the committee recommending the adoption of the following resolution,

Resolved, That the City Clerk is hereby directed to give notice through the Corporation paper that the Board of Commissioners for assessments report map and schedule of the improvement of Coles street, between South Fourth and South Second Streets are on file in the City Clerk's office No. 23 Montgomery street and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber on Tuesday the 31st January instant at 7½ o'clock, P. M., to consider said assessment and to receive and consider all objections thereto which may be presented in writing.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Com. Streets to whom were referred December 6, 1859, the memorials of George McLaughlin and others, and Patrick Harley and others asking that the vote be reconsidered by which was passed the ordinance respecting the Jersey City and Bergen Horse Railroad Company presented a report thereon setting forth that inasmuch as said ordinance has been passed, and been approved by His Honor the Mayor, and contains all the necessary protecting rights and interests of the City and our citizens, no further action is necessary touching the prayer of the memorialists and recommending that the Com. on Streets be discharged from the further consideration of the aforesaid memorials.

The report was received and the committee were discharged from the further consideration of the memorials.

The Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings to whom was referred on the 10th inst., the communication of Keney and Halliday proposing to substitute in Public School House No. 3 "Thatcher's" furnaces in place of "Leeds'," presented a report thereon, signed by Ald. McBride and Decker, accompanied by the following resolution, the communication not accompanying the report:

Resolved, That the proposal offered by Keeney and Halliday to fit up "Thatcher's" Furnaces in Public School No. 3 be accepted by this Common Council, and that they be instructed to proceed with the work immediately.

The rule of order which requires that paper referred to a com. shall be attached to the report when made, was suspended, and the report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald Hardenbergh, McBride and Hoffman.

Yeas—Ald Clarke, Decker, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Earle, Ogden and Thurston.

Absent—Ald. Brown, Christie, Edge, Hankins and McLaughlin.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Earle and adopted.

Resolved, That the Com. on Laws and Ordinances and the Corporation Attorney are hereby instructed to carry into effect the instructions of the last Common Council referring the matter of the Steuben Street assessment to arbitrators.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Hardenbergh and adopted.

Resolved, That the sale to the City Treasurer on the 27th July 1855 of part of lot 1 Railroad Avenue in block A for taxes of 1854 be cancelled of record by the City Clerk for the reason that said Taxes were previously paid to the Collector for that year whose receipt is held by the owner of said part of a lot.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted.

Resolved, That the sale to the City Treasurer on the 4th August 1856 of lot 29 Morris Street in block 16 for taxes of 1855 be cancelled of record by the City Clerk for the reason that said Taxes were previously paid to the Collector for that year whose receipt is held by the owner of said lot.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Thurston and adopted

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the Estate of J. B. Coles for three dollars for balance of claim audited January 3, 1860, for furnishing and laying bridge stone and curbing around Hamilton Square; through a clerical error in the report of the committee said claim having been audited that amount less than it should have been

The following preamble and resolutions were offered by Ald. Hardenbergh:

Whereas by resolutions passed this Board October 18th, 1859, and approved by his Honor the Mayor Oct. 21, 1859, the Com. on Finance were instructed to issue their requisition for certain coupon bonds to Stephen Whitney of New York in exchange for certain bonds of the old Form held by him. And

Whereas no action has yet been taken or new bonds issued, therefore,

Resolved, That so much of said resolutions as prescribe that said new bonds shall be dated October 18, 1859, be and the same is hereby rescinded, and that the Com. on Finance be and are hereby authorized to date said new bonds as described in said resolution of October 18th, 1859, so that the said new coupon bonds given in exchange shall bear date January 2, 1860, and shall be drawn payable March 18th, 1886

Resolved, That the Comptroller be instructed to issue his requisition for the payment of interest on above bonds to January 2d, 1860.

The preamble and resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Brown, Christie, Edge, Hankins and McLaughlin.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Warner and adopted.

Resolved, that the City Attorney be and is hereby

instructed to notify Mrs. Gibson to vacate the premises now occupied by her on Newark Avenue in the time specified by her contract.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Hardenbergh and adopted.

Resolved, That the Com. on Laws and Ordinances be requested to have prepared for presentation to the Legislature an act for the opening of Montgomery st., and that when the same shall have been prepared said committee shall have said act printed on slips for the use of this Board at its next meeting.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Earle and adopted.

Resolved, That the Commissioners of Assessments be requested to report at the next meeting the map and schedule of work done under contract to J. S. Noyes in South 2d Street.

Alderman Earle moved, That the vote be reconsidered by which at the last meeting, the Common Council refused to pay the claim of E. B. Wakeman, Esq., amounting to $30, for defending Policeman Chazotte, Valade and Bennett, indicted and tried for assault and battery on Peter N. Horsley and the taxed bill of costs amounting to $67 29.

The motion to reconsider was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Thurston, Hardenbergh and Decker.

Yeas—Ald. Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hoffman, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst, Ald. Hardenbergh, McBride and Tilden.

Absent—Ald. Brown, Christie, Edge, Hankins and McLaughlin.

Ald. Earle offered the following resolutions as a substitute for the motion to pay the claims :

Resolved, That a warrant for ninety-seven dollars and twenty-nine cents be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Edgar B. Wakeman in payment of the taxed bill of costs, and for his services in defending policemen Chazotte, Bennett and Valade, indicted and tried for an assault and battery on Peter N. Horsley.

Resolved, That in ordering payment of the above claim this Board disclaim any intention of upholding any unlawful act, but believe that if the above named policemen exceeded their lawful powers, they did so unintentionally, and it is hereby enjoined upon them in future to use the utmost caution lest they in anywise overstep the limit of their authority.

On motion of Ald. Warner the substitute was laid upon the table.

On motion of Ald. Warner the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.



COMMON COUNCIL.—OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday, January 24, 1860, at 7½ o'clock, P.M.

Present—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Ald. Decker and Tilden were absent at the calling of the roll, but subsequently appeared and took their seats

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 17th inst. were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, &c., were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz.:

Petition of E. B Wakeman, attorney for Jas. R. Lawrence, for privilege of redeeming parts of lots 65, 67, 69 and 71, Warren street, Mangin's map, block 20, from sale made to the City Treasurer, August 4th, 1856, for unpaid taxes of 1855.

Referred to Com. on Finance, which committee subsequently presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That permission be granted to Edgar B. Wakeman, attorney for J. R. Lawrence, to redeem lots 65, 67, 69 and 71, Warren street, Mangin's map, block 20, assessed to J R Lawrence, and sold to City Treasurer, August 4, 1856, for unpaid taxes, provided the redemption be made in the manner usual in such cases.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

Petition of the members of Hudson Hose Company No. 1, to have their Hose Carriage and Company located under the new City Hall, when erected, if a fire company is to be stationed there, &c.

Referred to Com. on Fire and Water.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of Robert B. Kashow $15 06, $6 29, $5 78, $5 05, $5, $2 07, $2, $1 56, 25c and 12c.

Referred to Com. on salaries, offices and elections.

Of R. B. Earle & Co. $88 95, B. F. Woolsey $20 83, and Samuel Hetherington $13 20.

Referred to Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of B. F. Woolsey $17; Thomas Royle $10 01, and Samuel Hetherington $4 80.

Referred to Com. on Fire and Water.

Of Richard Bly $14 09, and John Stanley $12.

Referred to Com. on Streets.

Of Ward and McGown $121 82, and R. B. Kashow $4 51. Referred to Com. on Alms.

Of Stephen Quaife $30.

Referred to Com. on Finance.

Of Chancellor W. Chase $4 50.

Referred to Com. on Laws and Ordinances.

Of R. B. Kashow, $1 06.

Referred to Com. on Police.

The following claim and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct, and ordered paid, viz:

Of R. B. Earle and Co., $352 59 and $36 02; Robert B. Kashow $37 50; J. V. Hardenbergh $300; David Bedford $20; Nathaniel Ellis $125; S. A. French $100 Philo Snow $150; George W. Cassedy $500 and $100.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz.

Of P. D. Vroom $125; Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Co. $78 12; Keeney and Halladay $75; A. O. Zabriskie $75; P. H. Nugent $60 38; P. M. Sendrling $50; Thomas Connolly $27 72; Wm. Moore $23 40; Passaic Ice Co. $18 72; Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Co. $13 40; Passaic Ice Co. $10 50 and $10 08; Japhet Jardine $8 95; Philip Becker $8 61; Henry A. Greene $7 93; T. C. Brown, attorney, $7 50; L. T. Stowell $6; Henry A. Greene $3 88; Passaic Ice Co. $3 24; C. N. Betts $2 25; Henry E. Niblett $2 23 and Henry A. Greene $1 88.

The City Clerk laid before the Board the following communication from his Honor the Mayor, filed in the City Clerk's office on the 21st instant, and the same was read, received, and ordered to be entered at large on the journal of proceedings of the Common Council:

Mayor's Office, January 21st, 1860.

To the Hon. the Common Council:

Gentlemen: The following resolution was adopted by you on the 10th instant:

"Resolved, That warrants be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the parties to whom damages have been awarded by the commissioners in the matter of the opening of Jersey street for the amounts respectively named as awarded to said parties."

This resolution is intended to carry out an assessment for opening a continuation of Jersey avenue, from Newark avenue, south, and which was filed in the Clerk's office, October 18th, 1859. The awards and expenses are contained in the following summary:

To George E. Grenzebach, for land	1150
do for building	50
Total	1200
To J. E. Benjamin, for land	3500
do for building	3000
Total	6500
Total award	7700
For fees of three Commissioners, $90; Surveyors, $118; for searches for title to land, $33	241
Total assessment	27941

I return the resolution without my signature. The limited period for so doing expires to-day. I have not had time to consult with some of your Board, as was my intention to ask a reconsideration so as to avoid this step of returning the resolution.

I consider the improvement contemplated desirable.

The charter requires the payment or the tendering of the money for the award of damages before the work can go on. The resolution, then, is a proper one, if there was any unappropriated money in the treasury to meet the drafts. This is too often overlooked by the Common Council, and if yielded to, produces embarrassment in the management of the finances of the city. The annual tax levy is appropriated for the use of specific objects, and these objects generally demand, if they do not overrun the respective appropriations. The only remedy to meet the calls on an exhausted treasury is by borrowing or the collection of unpaid assessments.

If this resolution should be amended so as to provide the money to meet the payment of the warrants to be drawn, my objection will be overcome to the passage of the resolution.

This can be done by the use of improvement certificates issued to meet the assessment, or by authorizing the money to be borrowed. I understand the parties in interest who are to receive the awards are willing to take time certificates, and thus enable the city to collect the assessments, to meet them when due. One of the parties is assessed for the improvement a much larger sum than he is to receive for damages. There appears to me to be an omission in this transaction which I will refer to that it may not grow into usage in future similar transactions, and they will frequently occur as the city boundaries are extended.

When the buildings are removed and the street opened, it must be regulated, graded and paved. All these items, involving additional outlay, and which I suppose is to be paid by the property benefitted, and which I think the law contemplates shall be included in the first and only assessment, and not have two separate assessments on the job.

In the contemplated amendments to the city charter some relief should be obtained from the stringency of the 56th section of the charter requiring money to be paid in advance for opening streets.

All which is respectfully submitted.

D. S. GREGORY, Mayor.

Ald. Hardenbergh moved that the resolution do now pass notwithstanding the objections of His Honor the Mayor.

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Brown, Christie, Earle, Hankins, McLaughlin, Ogden and Thurston.

Nays—Ald. Clarke, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Decker and Tilden.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the vote was reconsidered by which was rejected the motion to pass the resolution notwithstanding the objections of His Honor the Mayor.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the motion to pass the resolution notwithstanding the objections, was laid upon the table.

A communication was presented from the Collector of Taxes asking that a warrant for one hundred and eighty five dollars and fifty cents be drawn on the Treasury in his favor; being amount of military tax collected by him.

The communication was referred to the Com. on Finance.

A communication was presented from James Fleming one of the Assessors showing an error in the assessment book of the Third Ward in block 86 Van Vorst's map. The communication was referred to the Com. on Finance.

The Com. on Finance to whom was referred January 17th, 1860, the petition of John B. Vroom, to have refunded the purchase money and interest of lot bought

by him July 29th, 1857, for unpaid assessment, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer for fifty nine dollars and eighty-eight cents with interest at the rate of seven per cent per annum from date of sale in favor of John B. Vroom for purchase money paid by him at assesment sale July 29th, 1857, said lot having been erroneously described and sold.

The report was received, and the resolution adopted

The Com. on Streets, to whom were referred Aug. 2, 1859, the proposals of Adrian B. Reynolds, John Coar, Barzillai W. Ryder and Keeney and Halliday for contract to improve Newark avenue, from Warren street to Jersey avenue, presented a report setting forth that said contract has been awarded to Adrian B. Reynolds, &c., and recommending that the bonds which accompanied the rejected proposals be returned to the principals named therein.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The Com. on Streets, to whom was referred Dec. 27, 1859, the petition of Edward Hope to have the flagging on Newark avenue replaced, &c., presented a report thereon adverse to granting the prayer of the petitioner

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

Aldermen Decker and Tilden appeared and took their seats.

The Com. on Streets, to whom was referred on the 10th instant, the petition of E. Marsh, President of the Morris Canal and Banking Company for permission to continue to occupy for the present a portion of Hudson street, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That permission is hereby granted to thee Morris Canal and Banking Company to continue to occupy for the space of twenty days from the date of approval of this resolution, that portion of Hudson st., between a point one hundred feet south of Essex street and the basin of the Morris Canal.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Com. on Streets to whom was referred on the 10th instant the remonstrance of Abraham Becker and Daniel Van Winkle against the action of the Common Council in passing the Ordinance permitting the laying of Tracks in Grand street by the Jersey City and Bergen Horse Railroad Company, alleging that the rights of the Plank Road Company are interferred with, presented a report thereon, setting forth that it is inexpedient and unnecessary for the Common Council to take any action in the premises and asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The report was received, adopted, and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

Said report being as follows :

To the Honorable Common Council of Jersey City.—

Your Com. on Streets two whom was referred January 10, 1860 the hereto annexed remonstrance of Abraham Becker and Daniel Van Winkle against the action of the Common Council in passing the ordinance granting permission to the Jersey City and Bergen Horse Railroad Company to lay their track through Grand st. respectfully report that if the ordinance of the Mayor and Common Council in any way interferes with the chartered rights of the Jersey City and Bergen Point Plank Road Company, said ordinance is of course invalid so far as it conflicts with any enactments of the State Legislature, of which conflict the court must judge when the matter is brought before them by parties interested in the same.

We therefore ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject, as we deem it inexpedient and unnecessary for the Common Council to take any action in the premises.

J. V. THURSTON, } Com. on
R McLAUGHLIN, } Streets.

Jersey City, January 24, 1860.

The Com. on Streets, who have under consideration the petition referred to them January 17, 1860, of Alexander Hamilton and others to have the sidewalks on Barrow street, between Newark avenue and York St., flagged eight feet in width wherever the same is not already flagged that width, presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution appointing a time and place for a hearing :

Resolved, That Friday, February 17th, 1860, at 7½ o'clock p. m., at the City Clerk's office, No. 2 Montgomery street, is hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the Com. on Streets of this Common Council will meet for the purpose of hearing on its merits all parties interested in the application presented to the Common Council, January 17th, 1 60, of Alexander Hamilton and others, to have the sidewalks on Barrow street, between Newark avenue and York street, flagged eight feet in width wherever the same is not already flagged that width ; and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the corporation paper for the length of time required by the city charter notice of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Com. on Streets, who have under consideration the petition referred to them January 17, 1860, of Chas. S. Archer and others to have Prospect street from Pavonia avenue to the northerly boundary of Jersey City, regulated and paved, presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution, appointing a time and place for a hearing :

Resolved, That Friday, February 17th, 1860, at 7½ o'clock p. m., at the City Clerk's office, No 23 Montgomery street, is hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the Com. on Streets of this Common Council will meet for the purpose of hearing on its merits all parties interested in the application presented to the Common Council January 17, 1860, of Charles S. Archer and others to have Prospect street, from Pavonia avenue to the northerly boundary of Jersey City, regulated and paved ; and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the corporation paper for the length of time required by the city charter notice of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

The report was received and the resolution adopted:

The Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings, who were instructed by resolution passed on the 10th inst., to report what changes are necessary to be made in the location of city offices, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Grounds & Buildings be authorized to rent the necessary offices mentioned in the report for the next year commencing May 1st, 1860, and that they give notice to the parties where the city vacates any house or office, and report the same to this Board.

The report was received and recommitted to the com with instructions to report what changes, if any, are necessary to be made in the location of city offices.

The Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings, to whom was referred December 13th, 1859, the tax bill of Mrs. Bliven, for taxes of 1859, on lot 15, South 2d street, in block 202, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That the claim against Emily Bliven for five dollars and seventy-one cents, taxes on lot 15, South 2d street, block 202, be cancelled of record

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

Ald. Hankins, from the Com on Public Grounds & Buildings, to whom was referred on the 10th inst., the communication from Keeney and Halladay in relation to heating 3d Ward Public School House, presented a minority report thereon accompanied by the following resolutions :

Resolved, That there be no changes made in the furnaces other than what is required by the specification for heating and ventilating the 3d Ward School House. And further, be it

Resolved, That the Superintendent be instructed to notify Messrs. Keeney and Halladay to proceed with the work at once, as the contract binds them to have the work done by the 1st of March.

The report was received and the resolutions were laid upon the table.

The Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings returned Keeney and Halladay's copy of their contract for the erection of 3d Ward Public School House, and the communication of Merkle and Thatcher, in reference to the mode of heating said building.

The communication and copy of contract were ordered to be returned to Messrs. Keeney and Halladay.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Hardenbergh :

Resolved, That the Com. on Finance be authorized to borrow, in anticipation of taxes of 1860, the sum of eight thousand dollars, for the purpose of defraying expenses, as per claims audited for the opening of Jersey street, provided said loan shall not be made for a longer period than three months :

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Brown Christie, Clarke, Decker, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—Ald. Earle and Hoffman.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Tilden and adopted :

Resolved, That the Com. on Police be and they are hereby requested to have fire bell on Station House struck daily at 6 A.M., 12 Meridian, and at 6 P. M., to strike the true time.

The following resolution was offered by Ald Thurston :

Resolved, That upon the requisition of the Com. on Finance, that his Honor the Mayor and the City Clerk be requested to execute a city bond for six hundred and two dollars and thirty cents, in favor of Adrian B. Reynolds, for the balance of his claims for laying Belgian pavement in Newark avenue ($494 45), and on Hudson street ($107 85), said bond to be dated January 25th, 1860, payable at three years from date, at six per cent. interest.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Pres. VanVorst and Ald Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

On motion of Ald. Hardenbergh the motion to "pass notwithstanding the objections of his Honor the Mayor," the resolution ordering warrants to be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the parties to whom damages was awarded in the matter of the opening of Jersey street, was taken from the table.

The motion to pass said resolution notwithstanding the objections of his Honor the Mayor, was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nay—Ald. Hoffman.

Ald. McLaughlin, from the Com. on Fire and Water, presented a deed from Charles J. Smith and wife to the Corporation of Jersey City, of lot No. 72 Warren St., and the following resolution :

Resolved, That a coupon bond of this city for one thousand dollars be issued under the direction of the Finance Com. to Chas. J. Smith, payable in fifteen years from this date, with interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum, and that his Honor the Mayor and City Clerk be requested to sign the same.

The deed was ordered to be recorded in the County Clerk's office, and then filed in the Comptroller's office —and the resolution was adopted by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

On motion of Ald. Edge the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.—OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday, January 31, 1860, at 7½ o'clock, P.M.

Present—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Earle, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Decker, Edge, Hankins and McLaughlin.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 24th inst. were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, &c., were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz. :

Remonstrance of Wm. Gummer and others, licensed junk dealers, against the act of certain junk dealers who loan their licenses.

Referred to Com. on Licences.

Remonstrance of George McLaughlin and others against confirmation of the assessment for the improvement of sidewalk on the east side of Grove street, from Mercer to Bay streets.

Referred to Com. on Assessments.

Petition of James Weldon for privilege of continuing his business as a junk dealer at No. 24 Railroad avenue under his present license, which names No. 2 0 South 8th street as the place.

Referred to Com. on Licenses

Communication from John McGuigan, Collector of Taxes, recommending alterations in the system of assessing and collecting taxes.

Referred to Com. on Laws and Ordinances.

Petition of J. McCollick and others for the removal of the joist or timber which supports the building known as the Eagle Distillery.

Referred to Com. on Streets, with power.

Petition of James F. Fielder for an extension of the time for completing his contract for the improvement of Bright street.

Referred to on Com. on Streets.

Communication from Jasper Wandle notifying the city to vacate on the 1st May next the room in No. 25 Montgomery street, recently occupied by the Recorder.

Ordered filed.

Petition of James McLaughlin and others to have competition plans for the erection of a City Hall and public offices advertised for, and said buildings speedily erected on the lots on Newark avenue purchased by the city, &c.

Referred to Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Of Drayton & Durant $125 78 ; Jersey City and Harsimus Cemetery co., $81 ; Samuel A. French $40 71 ; and William B. Dunning $1 50.

Referred to Com. on Alms

Of Young Men's Christian Association $18 ; and Samuel Cassedy $15 63.

Referred to Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of Willfam B. Dunning $10 50, and Thomas Royle $3 75. Referred to Com. on Streets.

Of William B. Dunning $304 30.

Referred to Com. on Finance.

Of Adrian B. Reynolds $37 50.

Referred to Com. on Lamps.

Of Japhet Jardine $11 20.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Alderman Thurston being the only member of the Com. on Police present, requested that a member of the Board be associated with him on said committee for this meeting, whereupon Alderman Tilden was appointed.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of William B. Dunning $200 ; William Whitley $150; William T. Rodgers, Jr., $117 40 ; Matthew Erwin $100 65 ; Nathaniel Ellis $33 48, and F. P. Budden $25.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz.

Of Ward & McGown $121 82 ; Stephen Quaife $30 ; Cronham & Wetterson 21 71 ; Robert B. Kashow $4 51 and Chancellor W. Chase $4 00.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "Confirmation of Assessment for laying side walk on the east side of Grove Street from Mercer Street to Bay Street including intersections."

The report was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "Confirmation of assessment for the regulation of Coles Street from South 4th Street to the south side of South 2d Street including intersections."

The report was received and ordered filed.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department enclosing returns of the following elections, resignations and expulsions in said Department confirmed by the Commissioners of the Fire Department.

Elections of Andrew Selerig, Edward Kelly and Thomas Clements by Engine Co. No. 4 ; Francis R. Hill by Hose Co. No. 2, and Michael Schaffel by Hose Co. No. 4.

Resignations of William Taylor from Engine Co. No. 1, and William Wiley from Hook & Ladder Co., No. 2.

Expulsions of Samuel Hathaway and Jackson Shaffer from Engine Co., No. 1, and George W. Dempsey from Hose Co., No. 2.

The communications were received and the action of the Commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department was approved and confirmed.

The Com. on Finance, to whom was referred January 23d, 1860, the communication from the Collector of Taxes, asking that a warrant be drawn in his favor on the City Treasurer for amount of military tax collected presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a warrant for one hundred and eighty five dollas and fifty cents be drawn in favor of Joseph Colgate, Paymaster of Hudson Brigade, it being the amount certified by the Comptroller as having been collected for military tax, and now due said Brigade.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Com. on Laws and Ordinances, to whom was referred, January 10, 1860, the writ served upon the city clerk January 7, 1860, by the Sheriff of Hudson county, attaching the rights, credits, &c., of Theodore Hunt and Lancelot W. Armstrong, at the suit of Stephen Eason, &c., and on the 17th January instant the assignment executed by said Hunt and Armstrong to Stephen Eason of their claim for extra work on Station House, and the communications of C. H. Winfield, Esq., and the Corporation Attorney, which accompanied said assignment, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Be it Resolved, That upon a receipt being left with the City Clerk for the warrant to be drawn payable to Hunt and Armstrong for five hundred and seventy-four dollars and fifty-eight cents, by Hunt and Armstrong, the said warrant be delivered to the said Stephen Eason according their order.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Com. on Assessments presented a report in reference to the assessment for the regulation of Coles St., from South 4th street to the south side of South 2d St., including intersections, the report reccommending the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That two per cent be added for collector's fees to the amount of the assessment for the regulation of Coles street, from South 4th street to the south side of South 2d street, including intersections, and that said assessment be confirmed.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Earle, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Decker, Edge, Hankins and McLaughlin.

The Com. on Laws and Ordinances reported "A further Supplement to an "act to incorporate Jersey City."

On motion of Alderman Warner the proposed supplement (with the exception of the sections relating to the collection of the revenues of the City) was recommitted to the Com. on Laws and Ordinances with instructions to report a special act to be asked for from the Legislature, providing for the opening of Montgomery Street and the vacating of Gregory Street ; and on motion of Alderman Hardenbergh all relating to the collection of the City revenues was referred to the Special Committee on Charter amendments

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Tilden :

Resolved, That the Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings are hereby instructed to advertize for plans for a City Hall, (said building to include the City Offices) to cost not to exceed from $15000 to $20,000, and report such plans to this Board at its regular meeting on the 14th February, and to insert in their advertisement that the plan which may be accepted will be paid for, but nothing will be allowed for those which may be rejected.

The resolution was adopted.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Alderman Hoffman and adopted.

Whereas a file of newspapers for the years 1847 and part of 1848 are now missing from the Clerk's office and no other file can be found in the County save in the possession of James Gopsill, Esq., and

Whereas it is very important that the same should

be preserved among the archives of the City Government, Therefore be it

Resolved, That the Com. on Laws be requested to confer with James Gopsill, Esq., in relation to the purchase of said files and report to this Board the terms upon which the same and all other missing files can be procured.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hoffman :

Resolved, That the meetings of this Board be held after the 1st day of May next, in the Hall of the new Station House until the new City Hall is completed and that the Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings be requested to notify persons interested therein to that effect.

The resolution was laid upon the table.

The following resolutions were offered by Alderman Hardenbergh :

Resolved, That this Common Council heartily approve of the amendment of Senator Wescott, requiring the Central Railroad to define their route through this County to tide water in the bill now pending before the Legislature at Trenton.

Resolved, That a copy of the foregoing be forwarded to-morrow to our Senator and Representatives at Trenton under the Seal of the City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald. Hardenbergh, Tilden and Warner :

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Earle, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Ogden, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Decker, Edge, Hankins and McLaughlin.

Ald. Thurston was excused from voting.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Earle :

Resolved, That an improvement certificate be issued under the direction of the Com. on Finance in favor of James F. Fielder, for eight hundred and sixty dollars and nineteen cents, being the balance of his bill for the regulation of Coles street, from South 4th street to the south side of South 2d street, and that his Honor the Mayor be directed to sign the same, and the City Clerk be requested to affix the seal of the city thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Earle, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Decker, Edge, Hankins and McLaughlin.

On motion of Ald. Tilden the Board proceeded to the appointment of a member from the Third Ward of the Board of Commissioners for Assessments to fill the vacancy occasioned by the decease of James S. Hutton.

Ald. Earle and Tilden were appointed and acted as tellers

Nine ballotings were had, which resulted as follows :

First balloting—
Wm. L. Dickinson received seven votes.
John Shields received one vote.
George McLaughlin received four votes.

Second balloting—
Wm. L. Dickinson received seven votes.
John Shields received three votes.
George McLaughlin received two votes.

Third balloting—
William L. Dickinson received seven votes.
John Shields received five votes.

Fourth balloting—
William L. Dickinson received seven votes.
John Shields received five votes.

Fifth balloting—
William L. Dickinson received six votes.
John Shields received six votes.

Sixth balloting—
William L. Dickinson received six votes.
John Shields received six votes.

Seventh balloting—
William L. Dickinson received seven votes.
John Shields received five votes.

Eighth balloting—
William L. Dickinson received eight votes.
John Shields received four votes.

Ninth balloting—
William L. Dickinson received nine votes.
John Shields received three votes.

Whereupon William L. Dickinson having received the requisite number of votes, was declared appointed a member of the Board of Commissioners for Assessments from the Third Ward.

Ald. Clarke moved

That the vote be reconsidered by which was passed at the last meeting of the Board the resolution directing the fire alarm bell in Station-house Tower to be rung three times a day.

The motion was rejected.

On motion of Ald. Clarke the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City

COMMON COUNCIL.—OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday, February 7, 1860, at 7½ o'clock, P.M.

Present—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Christie, Clarke, Decker, Hankins Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Alderman Earle was absent at the calling of the roll but subsequently appeared and took his seat.

Absent.—Aldermen Brown and Edge.

The minutes of the regular meeting of January 31st, 1860, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, &c., were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz. :

Communication of Alexander Hartlett, Publisher of the Architects'and Mechanics' Journal, asking that the advertisement for competition plans for the City Hall and other public buildings be inserted in said paper; a copy of the paper accompanying the communication.

Referred to Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Petition of Clarkson N. Potter for privilege of redeeming lots 27, 28, 29, 30 South 7th street in block 149 sold to the City Treasurer at sundry sales more than two years ago.

Referred to Com. on Finance.

Petition of John Van Vorst for permission to redeem lots Nos. 129 and 144 in block No. 104, and lot No. 161 in block No. 103, all sold to the City Treasurer, February 4th, 1858, for assessment for regulating, paving, &c., Prospect street from Newark Avenue to Pavonia Avenue.

The following preamble and resolution in relation thereto were offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted :

Whereas, this Common Council have heard the eloquent and impressive petition of John Van Vorst, relative to certain lots sold to the City Treasurer for unpaid taxes, and whereas the City have at all times avowed their willingness to allow property thus sold to be redeemed upon payment of cost, therefore

Resolved, That permission be immediately granted with the concurrence of the Mayor, to said John Van Vorst to redeem his lots specified in his petition, provided that the same be done in the manner usual in such cases.

Communication of Edward P. Torrey and others calling attention to the unsafe condition of the side walk on York street, at and near the northwesterly corner of Warren street, &c.

Referred to Com. on Streets with power.

Petition of members of Hercules Engine Company, to have a large first class Philadelphia Engine purchased, &c. Referred to Com. on Fire and Water.

Petition of Michael Shea for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables.

Referred to Com. on Licenses.

Petition of Keeney & Halladay and others to have a Fire apparatus located in the neighborhood of Prospect and South First street.

Referred to Com. on Fire and Water.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Of H. Goetschius $51 88 ; J. F. Richardson $25 75 ; Mrs. Ann Eaton $15 ; and Hugh Billingsley $12.

Referred to Com. on Lamps.

Of J. F. Richardson $52 73, and Smith Mead $2 64.

Referred to Com. on Police.

Of David Bedford $18, and John Davenport $2.

Referred to Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of Richard D. McClelland $150.

Referred to Committee on Salaries, Offices and Elections.

Of J. F. Fielder $1310 52.

Referred to Com. on Streets.

Of Hugh Reilly $25 74.

Referred to Com. on Alms.

Of John McGuigan $12 97.

Referred to Com. on Fire and Water.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of Police Department $1339 64 ; Fidelity Division $75 ; John H. Lyon and Co., $18 50 ; John H. Lyon $15 50 and $12.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of Drayton and Durant $125 78 ; R. B. Earle and Co., $88 95 ; Jersey City and Harsimus Cemetery Co., $81 ; Samuel A. French $40 71 ; A. B. Reynolds $37 50; B. F. Woolsey $20 33 ; Young Men's Christian Association $18 ; B. F. Woolsey $17 ; Samuel Cassedy, $15 63; R. B. Kashow, $15 06 ; Samuel Hetherington, $13 20 ; R. B. Kashow $6 29 ; $5 38 ; $5 05 and $5 ; Samuel Hetherington $4 80 ; Cronham and Wetterson $2 73 ; R. B. Kashow $2 07, $2, $1 56, 25 cents and 12 cents.

A claim of Thomas Royle amounting to $10 01, presented and referred to the Com on Fire and Water, January 24, 1860, was reported correct by said committee for $10, and that amount was ordered paid.

The Recorder's report for the quarter ending January 31, 1860, was presented, received and ordered filed.

A report by the Chief of Police for the quarter ending January 31, 1860, of the number of gas lamps out of repair and not lighted during said quarter was presented, received and referred to Com. on Lamps.

The report of the Chief of Police for the quarter ending January 31, 1860, of the number of arrests, etc., was presented, received and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

Said report being as follows :—

Quarterly Report of Jacob Z. Marinus, Chief of Police, from November 1st, 1859, to February 1st, 1860.

To the Honorable the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City :

	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Total.
Drunk and disorderly	37	31	37	105
Disorderly conduct	4	5	13	22
Keeping disorderly houses	0	0	0	0
Drunkenness	20	35	34	89
Burglary	0	5	4	9
Larceny	8	11	9	28
Attempt at larceny	2	1	2	5
Suspicion of burglary	0	0	1	1
Picking pockets	0	0	0	0
Entering houses with intent to steal	0	0	0	0
Attempt to kill	1	1	0	2
Assault and battery	6	7	9	22
Threatening life	2	0	0	2
Wife beating	3	0	0	3
Interfering with officers	0	0	0	0
Destroying property	2	0	0	2
Assault and battery with intent to kill	0	0	0	0
Violation of city ordinances	0	0	1	1
Assault	3	2	2	7
Rape	0	0	0	0
Loose characters	3	0	1	4
Gambling	0	0	9	9
Assaulting officers	0	0	0	0
Fighting	3	9	4	16
Insanity	0	1	0	1
Vagrancy	1	1	4	6
Drunkenness and vagrancy	4	1	12	17
Exposing his person in the street	0	2	1	3
Adultery	0	0	2	2
Passing counterfeit money	0	0	1	1
Fugitive from justice	0	0	1	1
	99	112	147	358

Birthplace of those Arrested.

Ireland	240	England	23
United States	60	Germany	18
France	3	Portugal	2
Scotland	12		
			358

Average age of persons arrested.

From 10 to 20	69	From 40 to 50	42
From 20 to 30	121	From 50 to 60	14
From 30 to 40	117	From 60 to 70	4
			358
No. that can read & write			164
No. that cannot read and write			194
			358
No. who have trades			102
No. Who have no trades			256
			358
Males	318	Females	40
			358
No. of Whites	353	No. of Blacks	5
			358
Married	144	Single	214
			358

No. of Arrests made by each Officer.

	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Total.
Jacob Z. Marinus, Chief.	6	2	12	20
John Ayres, Aid	2	1	8	11
Jarvis L. Ayres, Aid	2	0	13	15
Joseph Carroll	6	8	6	20
Thomas Callahan	3	2	1	6
Stephen Bennett	4	3	10	17
Francis Valade	4	4	4	12
Bernard Harney	4	5	5	14
Stephen E. Gough	3	4	4	11
John O'Donnell	3	5	6	14
Martin Ward	3	5	3	11
Julian P. Chazotte	3	9	5	17
Michael Kilcauley	4	8	8	20
James Mann	4	9	5	18
John Murphy	12	4	3	19
Alfred Berry	1	0	0	1
Daniel McNamara	3	0	3	6
Martin V. Rase	2	4	4	10
Philo Snow	2	7	5	14
Patrick Jorden	3	7	3	13
Michael McLaughlin	3	3	1	7
James Mould	4	1	3	8
James P. Wheeler	0	1	2	3
David Babington	2	0	2	4
John D. Thompson	1	0	0	1
Wm. Daley	4	2	7	13
John W. Sanford	1	1	6	8
Robbins Holloway	2	2	2	6
John A. Van Voorhies	0	1	5	6
Ira Smith	1	4	2	7
Wm. Reen	2	5	2	9
Thomas S. Robbins	1	2	3	6
Jonathan H. Baldwin	3	0	1	4
Ald. Tilden	1	0	0	1
George Clark	0	2	1	3
Thomas Canley	0	0	1	1
John G. Haybeck	0	1	0	1
	99	112	147	358

Amount of Cash taken.

	Amt. taken.	Amt. returned.
John Lamb,	$2,400 00	$2,400 00
John H. Buckhart,	56 00	56 00
Henry Koster & Co.	4 40	4 40
Total amount stolen,	$2,460 40	
Total amount recovered,		$2,460 40

All of which has been returned to the respective owners.

Other Property taken.

	Value.
1 Carving knife,	$1 00
Pair of boots,	2 00
Wet clothes,	3 00
3 Comforters,	2 25
1 Goose,	1 00
Wet clothes,	3 00
Coat, pants and vest,	20 00
1 Shawl,	5 00
3 Saws,	3 75
3 Coats,	40 00
1 Chicken,	0 50
Total,	$82 50

The above property has been recovered.

The following property, stolen, has not been recovered as yet, although we have the burglars in prison :

	Value
R. Clark lost property amounting to,	$10 00
Garret Van Riper,	40 00
Charles Archer,	30 80
Patrick Lacksey,	10 00
James Dixon,	25 00
J. Van Deventer,	20 00
A. Gill,	10 00
Henry Gordon,	5 00
Mr. Hendrickson,	25 00
J. J. Jackson,	25 00
Total,	$800 00

No. of lodgers accommodated from the 1st of November, 1859, to the 1st of February, 1860, 1754

Nativity of Lodgers.

United States,	275
Ireland,	789
England,	215
Scotland,	181
Germany,	204
France,	16
Other nations,	74
Total,	1754
Males,	1639
Females,	115
	1754

Property on hand to the order of the Mayor and Com. on Police-

Cash, $4 27, 1 gold ring, 8 books, 17 keys, 7 knives, 1 dirk knife, 9 metal knuckles and 4 pistols.

JACOB Z. MARINUS, Chief of Police.

The report of the Superintendent of the Alms House for the quarter ending January 31st, 1860, was presented, received and ordered to be printed in the minutes. Said report being as follows :

Quarterly Report of the Superintendent of Alms House, ending January 31st, 1860 :

To the Honorable the Mayor and Common Council :

Gentlemen—The Superintendent of the Alms House respectfully presents to your Honorable Body his Quarterly Report, ending January 31st, 1860 :

Remaining in the institution November 1, 1859, were

Male adults,	14
Female do	20
Children.	36
	70

Admitted in the institution from November 1st 1859, to January 31st, 1860, were,

Male adults,	16
Female do	20
Children,	12
	48
Total,	118

This statement will show the number discharged from, and died, in the institution, within the above period :

Male adults discharged,	3
Female do	4
Children,	7
Male adults, died,	2
Female do	1
Children do	1
	18
Remainining in the institution Jan. 31, 1860,	100

The expenses of the Department within the above period was on the following acct :

Groceries and provisions,	$547 25
Clothing,	119 50
Soft soap,	15 00
Fluid,	5 43
Leather and findings,	61 86
Wood and sand,	15 80
Tin and hardware,	25 18
Stationery,	4 51
Plumbing,	3 60
Straw for beds,	12 17
Horse and cow feed,	46 47
Horse-shoeing,	3 75
	$810 52

Before closing my report, I must say that I feel under many obligations to the excellent Committee on Alms, one and all, without exception, for their ever ready advice and directions, which has enabled me to perform my arduous duties with promptness and liberality to the comforts of the poor.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. WHITLEY, Superintendent.

Jersey City, January 31st, 1860.

The report of the Overseer of the Poor for the quarter ending January 31st, 1860, was presented, received and ordered to be printed in the minutes. Said report being as follows :

Quarterly Report of the Overseer of the Poor, ending January 31st, 1860 :

To the Honorable the Mayor and Common Council. :

Gentlemen—The Overseer of the Poor respectfully presents to your Honorable Body his Quarterly Report ending January 31st, 1860, from which it will appear that 88 families, consisting of 389 persons, also 482 travellers, have been relieved with donations of groceries and provisions, to the following amount, $628 42, on the following account :

Groceries and provisions,	$572 67
Transportation of paupers,	16 00
Interments,	34 00
Shoes.	5 75
	$628 42

In the distribution of the charities of the city, I have acted with the view to the best interest of all concerned, in an economical distribution of the public money, in relieving the pressing necessities of the distressed, and in this course, I hope I have the approbation of the Mayor, Common Council, and community in general.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. WHITLEY,
Overseer of the Poor.

Jersey City, January 31st, 1860.

The following requisition was presented from the Board of Education :

To the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City.

At a meeting of the Board of Education, held at the City Clerk's office, on Monday evening, February 6th, 1860, it was

Resolved, That requisition be made upon the Common Council for the payment of the following claims, and in favor of :

Mynard Sharp, for coal and wood for Colored School,	- - - - -		$12 38
John Pringle, for plumber's work,	- -		12 22
H. A. Greene, books, etc. for Sch'l No 1		$57 35	
do	do	2 110 19	
do	do	2 36 21	203 75
			$228 35

P. D. VROOM,
Clerk of the Board of Education.

Jersey City, February 7th, 1860.

The following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Ald. Warner and adopted :

Resolved, That warrants be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the claimants named in the requisition from the Board of Education for the amounts respectively named.

Communication from John F. Ward, City Surveyor, proposing to make a new city map from actual surveys, etc.

Referred to Com. on Streets.

Communication from the Board of Fire Commissioners in relation to ringing the Fire Alarm Bell in Station House Tower, accompanied by a printed copy of their rules for ringing said bell, etc.

Referred to Committee on Police.

The City Clerk presented a letter from Hon. Samuel Wescott acknowledging the receipt of proposed supplements to the City Charter, respecting nominations and confirmation of Policemen.

The letter was received, and the City Clerk instructed to acknowledge the receipt of the same.

The Committee on Laws and Ordinances reported a draft of a petition to His Excellency Charles S. Olden, Governor of the State of New Jersey, and a draft of an act for the appointment of Commissioners to establish water line, etc.

The petition and act were received and ordered to be printed on slips by the next meeting of the Common Council.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred January 31, 1860, the remonstrance of George McLaughlin and others against the confirmation of the assessment for the improvement of side walks on the east side of Grove street from Mercer to Bay street, presented a report thereon recommending "that the Board of Commissioners for Assessments report map and schedule of said improvement presented to this Common Council January 17, 1860, and now on file in the City Clerk's office be taken from the files of said office and referred back to said Board of Commissioners for Assessments, with instructions that they retain the same until after the contractor shall have completed the above improvement in accordance with the "Ordinance providing for the same, and that they then report to this Board a corrected assessment for the said improvement."

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The Special Com. on Charter amendments reported sundry amendments to the City Charter entitled "A supplement to an act entitled an act to Incorporate Jersey City, approved March 18, 1851."

The supplement was received, amended, and on motion of Alderman Thurston it was

Resolved, That this act as amended be approved, and a certified copy be forwarded by the City Clerk under the Corporate Seal of the City to our Representatives in the Legislature with a request that they urge the speedy passage of the same.

During the consideration of said supplement, Alderman Tilden moved that the same be laid upon the table.

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh, Warner and Tilden :

Yeas—Aldermen Christie, Clarke, Earle, Hardenbergh, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst, Aldermen Decker, Hankins, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden and Thurston.

Absent—Aldermen Brown and Edge.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Hankins

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Stephen Quaife for seventy-five dollars, for superintending the erection of the 3d Ward School House, this being his fourth payment as per contract, and that the Mayor and City Clerk be requested to sign the same.

The resolution was adopted.

The following preamble and resolutions were offered by Ald. Hardenbergh :

Whereas city bond No. 150, old form, issued to Emily Bliven in the sum of twelve hundred dollars for purchase money of lot 15 block 202, has been by her assigned to John Van Vorst, of this city, as per record thereon written, and

Whereas the said John Van Vorst desires to exchange the same for a six per cent. coupon bond for one thousand dollars, as part of said old bond. Therefore,

Resolved, That when the said John Van Vorst shall have deposited in the office of the City Comptroller city bond No. 150, the comptroller shall deliver to him a certificate that the said bond as above described has been deposited by the said John Van Vorst in his office thereupon the Committee on Finance shall upon the delivery of such certificate to them, issue their requisition upod the Mayor and City Clerk for one six per cent. coupon bond in the sum of one thousand dollars, said bond to be dated January 2d, 1860, and to be drawn payable October 15, 1874,

Resolved, That the balance due upon said old bond No. 150, the Committee on Finance shall issue their requisition upon the Mayor and City Clerk for a city bond, old form, for two hundred dollars, said bond to be dated January 2d, 1860, and drawn payable October 15, 1874.

Resolved, That the Mayor be requested and the City Clerk be instructed to sign said Bonds and the City Treasurer be instructed to sign the Coupons attached to the Coupon Bond, provided first, however that the City Comptroller shall not countersign said new Coupon Bond until he shall first have marked upon said old Bond the numbers and amounts of the new Bonds for which said old Bond shall have been exchanged.

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be instructed to issue his requisition for the payment of interest on Bond No. 150 to January 2, 1860.

The preamble and resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst, Ald. Christie, Clarke, Decker, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Brown, Earle and Edge.

On motion of Alderman Earle, the resolutions presented January 17, 1860, and laid upon the table, ordering payment of claim of E. B. Wakeman for counsel fees in defending policemen Chazotte, Valade and Bennett against indictment for assault on Peter N. Horseley and the taxed bill of costs, etc., were taken from the table.

The resolutions were rejected by the following vote, yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh, Hoffman and McBride.

Yes—Aldermen Clarke, Decker, Earle, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst, Ald. Christie, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin and Tilden.

Absent—Ald. Brown and Edge.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh, it was

Resolved, That the subject of renting offices for the City Clerk be referred to the Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings with power.

On motion of Ald. Earle the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.—OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday, February 14, 1860, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Christie, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankin, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogdsen, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Aldermen Brown and Clarke.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 7th inst. were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, &c., were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz.

Of S. R. Tyrrell and others, a coroner's jury empanelled to inquire into the cause of the death of Hugh McLeod, setting forth that the crossing at the junction of Newark and Railroad avenues is in a very dangerous condition from the want of a sufficient number of flagmen or gates and fences, to prevent passers from being run over, and asking what measures be taken to afford to our citizens the necessary protection.

Referred to Com. on Streets.

Of John Shields and others, to have Railroad avenue opened from its junction with Newark avenue to Grove street.

Referred to Com. on Streets.

The following resolution in relation to the above petition was presented by Ald. Thurston and adopted:

Resolved, That Monday, March 12th, 1860, at 7½ o'clock p. m., be appointed as the time, and the city clerk's office, No. 3 Montgomery street, as the place, when and where the Com. on Streets of this Common Council will meet for the purpose of hearing on the merits of the same all parties interested in the application presented to this Board at this meeting to have Railroad avenue opened from the junction of Railroad avenue with Newark avenue to Grove street; and that the city clerk is hereby instructed to publish in the corporation paper for the length of time required by the city charter notice of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of Charles Scott $79 22, and $54 93. Referred to Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of W. T. Wier $8, and Charles Scott $4 25. Referred to Com. on Fire and Water.

Of William B. Dunning $51 81. Referred to Com. on Finance.

Of William B. Dunning $7. Referred to Com. on Laws and Ordinances.

Of Henry F. Sloat $3 75. Referred to Committee on Streets.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Jasper Wandle $31 25 and $31 25.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz.

Of Hunt and Armstrong $574 58; Richard D. McClelland $170; J. F. Richardson $52 73; H. Gretschelus $51 88; Hugh Reilly $35 74; J. F. Richardson $25 75; Mrs. Ann Eaton $15; David Bedford $13; John McGuigan $12 97; Hugh Billingsley $12; Japhet Jardine $11 20; Smith Mead $2 64; John Davenport $2; William B. Dunning $1 50, and R. B. Kashow $1 06.

A claim of William B. Dunning amounting to $304, 30 for printing and advertising presented January 31, 1860, and referred to Com. on Finance was reported correct by said committee for $303 10, and that amount was ordered paid.

Communication from the Comptroller setting forth that sundry Improvement Certificates issued on account of sewer in South 3d Street, and Wayne Street, Railroad Avenue and Newark Avenue Sewer have been redeemed by the Water Commissioners and returned to his office and cancelled, was presented, received and ordered filed.

Communication from Jeremiah M. Clarke, Inspector and Sealer of Weights and Measures, enclosing a copy of the register required to be kept by him, was presented, received and ordered filed.

Communication from the Board of Fire Commissioners suggesting that the house contemplated to be built for Hudson Hose Company No. 1, be located in the Fourth Ward was presented, received and referred to Com. on Fire and Water.

The Com. on Finance to whom was referred on the 7th instant, the petition of Clarkson N. Potter for privilege of redeeming lots 27, 28, 29 and 30 South 7th St., in block 149, sold to the City Treasurer at sundry sales more than two years ago, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That Clarkson N. Potter have power to redeem the above named lots provided the redemption be made in the manner usual in such cases.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Com. on Licenses to whom was referred January 31, 1860, the petition of James Weldon for privilege of continuing his business as junk dealer at No. 24 Railroad avenue, under his present license, which names No. 250 South 8th street as the place, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That permission be granted to Jas. Weldon to continue the business of a junk dealer at No. 24 Railroad avenue, his present residence, and that his license already granted for No. 250 South 8th street, be transferred to No. 24 Railroad avenue, and there remain in full force during the term for which said license was granted.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Com. on Licences to whom was referred on the 7th inst., the petition of Michael Shea for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to Michael Shea on his paying the license fee required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Com. on Licenses to whom was referred January 31st, 1860, the remonstrance of Wm. Gummer and others, licensed junk dealers, against the acts of certain dealers who loan their licenses, presented a report thereon setting forth the law at length in regard to junk dealers.

The report was received.

The Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings reported plans for a City Hall.

The plans were received and a recess of fifteen minutes taken for the purpose of examining the same.

On the reassembling of the Board, on motion of Ald. Hardenbergh the plans for a City Hall were recommitted to the Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Alderman Earle and adopted.

Whereas in the lease of the Corporation of New York to the proprietors of Jersey City Ferry it is stipulated that the latter shall establish a branch of said Ferry from or near Canal Street whenever they shall be required to do so by the Common Council of New York and

Whereas the public accommodation will be greatly promoted by the establishment of said branch ferry from Jersey City,

Resolved, That the Common Council of New York be respectfully urged to require the fulfilment of the stipulations of said lease.

Resolved, That the City Clerk be instructed to forward a copy of above preamble and resolution duly attested to His Honor Fernando Wood, Mayor of the city of New York.

Resolved, That an additional copy be furnished to the New Jersey Railroad Company.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hoffman and adopted:

Resolved, That the Collector of arrears of taxes is hereby instructed to fulfil the duties enjoined upon him in the second section of an ordinance prescribing the duties of the collector of arrears of taxes which provides a mode for the collection of taxes by distress and sale of the goods and chattels of delinquents, etc., this action of the Common Council being rendered necessary by the fact that a large number of persons neglect or refuse to pay their taxes who although not real estate owners, are nevertheless perfectly able to pay taxes, and should be made to do so inasmuch as they receive the full benefit of police protection, of street lights, paved streets, and of the Fire Department, against loss or damage by fire, and it is manifestly unjust that owners of real estate should be compelled to bear all the burthens of taxation when both law and justice require owners of personal property to contribute their fair proportion towards the support of the municipal government.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Alderman McLaughlin and adopted:

Whereas the Com. on Streets of this Common Council did on or about the 16th day of November last past, sell to one Adams, of Elizabeth City, in the county of Union and State of New Jersey, a quantity of cobble stones, the property of the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City, and

Whereas said committee being unable to collect the money due, therefore have caused said Adams to be sued in the name of the said Mayor and Common Coun-

cil of Jersey City, before a Justice of the Peace of the county of Union aforesaid. Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the proceedings of the Committee aforesaid and all things by them done relating to said action and the sale of said cobble stones be ratified and approved by this Board, and that the Corporation Attorney be and he is hereby in tructed to attend to said suit and report the result of the same at as early a day as practicable.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hoffman and adopted.

Be it Resolved, That the Com. on Finance are hereby instructed to publish in the Corporation paper on the 15th March next and daily thereafter for thirty days, a list of names of parties who on or before the 13th March shall not have paid their personal and poll taxes for the year 1858, said advertisement also designate the amount due from each of said persons respectively.

Ald. Decker obtained leave and retired.

The following preamble and resolutions were offered by Ald. Hardenbergh :

Whereas, Cornelius Van Vorst is the owner of City Bond No. 151, old form, in the sum of thirty six hundred dollars for purchase money of property at the angle of Railroad Avenue and Newark Avenue, Block 18 Van Vorst's Map, and

Whereas, the said Cornelius Van Vorst desires to exchange the same for Coupon Bonds, therefore

Resolved, That when the said Cornelius Van Vorst shall have deposited in the office of the City Comptroller Bond No. 151, the Comptroller shall deliver to him a certificate that said Bond No. 151 has been deposited by the said Cornelius Van Vorst, in his office thereupon the Com. on Finance shall upon the delivery of such certificate to them issue their requisition upon the Mayor and City Clerk for three Coupon Bonds in the sum of one thousand dollars each with interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, said Bonds to be dated January 2, 1860, and to be drawn payable October 5, 1869, and one City Bond for six hundred dollars, old form, to be drawn dated January 2, 1860, and to be drawn payable October 5, 1869, for the balance due upon said Bond No. 151.

Resolved, That the Mayor be requested and the city clerk be instructed to sign said bonds, and the city treasurer be instructed to sign the coupons attached to the coupon bonds provided first however that the city comptroller shall not countersign said new bonds until he shall first have marked upon said old bond, No. 151 the number and amounts of the new bonds for which said old bond shall have been exchanged.

Resolved, That the Comptroller be instructed to issue his requisition for the payment of interest on said old bond on January 2d, 1860.

The preamble and resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Alderman Christie, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nay—Ald. Hoffman.

Absent—Ald Brown, Clarke and Decker.

Ald. Van Vorst not voting, being a party interested in the matter.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted :

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn in favor of the Water Commissioners for amount due them as per books of the city treasurer, provided first however that the city comptroller shall first certify to the city clerk the amount due to the said Water Commissioners.

On motion of Ald. Hardenbergh the Board proceeded to the consideration of the act reported by the Com. on Laws and Ordinances at the last meeting, proposed to be applied for from the Legislature establishing the water line in the Hudson river, &c.

The act was read, and on motion of Ald. Hardenbergh it was

Resolved, That the act presented to this Common Council by the Com. on Laws and Ordinances, entitled "An Act for the appointment of Commissioners to establish the Water Line in the Hudson River and the Bays in the Counties of Hudson and Bergen, and to report as to encroachments on the original Shore Line thereof," be approved, and that copies be certified by the city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, and forwarded by that officer to the Senator and Assemblymen from Hudson county, with the request that they urge the passage of said act by the Legislature.

On motion of Ald. Hardenbergh it was

Resolved, That the petition to his Excellency the Governor in reference to the obstructions in the Hudson river and bays adjacent to Jersey City caused by the erection of wharves, piers, bulkheads, &c., which was presented to this Board at its last meeting by the Com. on Laws and Ordinances, be approved, and that a copy be signed by his Honor the Mayor and the city clerk under the corporate seal of the city, and forwarded to his Excellency Governor Oldes.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Earle :

Resolved, That the Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings be authorized in advertising for plans for the new City Hall to offer the sum of one hundred dollars for such plans as may be adopted by the Common Council.

The resolution was amended by inserting after the word plans in both places where it occurs the words "and specifications."

The resolution as amended was then adopted.

On motion of Ald. Edge the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Special meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Saturday, February 18th, 1860, at 7½ o'clock, p.m

In the absence of the President, the Board was called to order by the City Clerk

Present—Ald. Brown, Christie, Earle, Edge, Hardenbergh, McBride, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Clarke, Decker, Hankins, Hoffman and McLaughlin.

In the absence of the President, on motion of Ald. Hardenbergh, Ald. Thurston was appointed President pro-tempore.

The call of the meeting was read by the City Clerk, and is as follows :

To his Honor Mayor Gregory.

Dear Sir : We respectfully request you to call a special meeting of the Common Council, at the Common Council Chamber, at 7½ o'clock, to-morrow evening, for the purpose of considering Senate bill, No. 64, believing as we do that its tendency is to interfere with valuable water privileges and to destroy the fisheries of New York Bay.

A. A. HARDENBERGH,
J. G. EDGE,
J. McBRIDE.

Please notify for a meeting in pursuance of the above request.

D. S. GREGORY, Mayor.
February 17th, 1860.

The following preamble and resolutions were presented by Alderman Hardenbergh :

Whereas the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City have received and examined a copy of a bill int oduced into the Senate of this State entitled "An act authorizing the sale of certain lands under water, lying between Jersey City and Constables' Point in the County of Hudson and the improvement of the flats now under water in front of the property of certain shore owners," the further consideration of which was made the order of the day for Wednesday next, and believing that the passage of the same will be an invasion of the private rights of owners of land upon the shores of Communipaw Bay, destructive to the fisheries and injurious to the welfare of Jersey City, and a departure from the principles of law as declared by Chief Justice Taney, in the case of Mar in and others against John Den, lessee of William C. H. Waddell in 1842, and as laid down by Kent in his commentaries and other eminent jurists, therefore

Resolved, That we the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City respectfully, but earnestly protest against the passage of the before mentioned bill believing that such action will be an infringement of the municipal rights and franchises of the community which we represent, and will either wholly deprive sundry of our constituents of valuable rights to which they are entitled in virtue of their ownership of portions of the shore of Communipaw Bay, or subject them to tedious and expensive litigation in maintaining the same in the Courts of Law.

Resolved, That copies of these resolutions and the preamble thereto be furnished to the Senator and the Representatives from Hudson County and that they be requested to present the same in their respective houses and advocate the views and opinions therein contained, and that a committee of one from each ward be appointed at an expense not to exceed one hundred dollars to proceed to Trenton with a copy of the resolutions with the Seal of the City attached.

Resolved, That we do hereby recommend our fellow citizens of Jersey City and Hudson county to assemble at Commercial Hall, on Monday evening, February 20, for the purpose of expressing their views upon the great question of Water Rights, and that a special committee of two be appointed to secure the room, and make such other preparation for such meeting as they may deem proper.

The preamble and resolutions were adopted by the

ollowing vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald. Hardenbergh, Edge and Brown :

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Christie, Earle, Edge, Hardenbergh, McBride, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Clarke, Decker, Hankins, Hoffman and McLaughlin.

Ald. Ogden, Edge, Warner and Tilden were appointed the committee under the 2d resolution to proceed to Trenton.

Ald. Hardenbergh and Earle were appointed the special com. to secure the room and make the necessary arrangements for the public meeting, to which com., on motion of Ald. Hardenbergh, Ald. Thurston, President pro-tempore, was added.

On motion of Ald. Hardenbergh the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.—OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday, February 21, 1860, at 7½ o'clock, P M.

Present—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Edge, McLaughlin, Ogden and Tilden.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 14th inst. and of the special meeting of the 18th inst. were read and approved.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of Ward & McGown $76 70; Hugh McFadden $27, and Japhet Jardine $3 95.

Referred to Com. on Alms.

Of Smith Mead $28 37; Japhet Jardine $10 41, and Frederick Anness $5 51.

Referred to Com. on Fire and Water.

Of Alexander Love $6 25.

Referred to Com. on Streets.

Of J. A. Burr $2, and Alex. Love $1.

Referred to Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of Thomas Martin $25 66.

Referred to the Special Com. on Improvement of Hamilton Square.

Of Vanderbeck & Morrell $1 93.

Referred to Com. on Police.

Of Alexander Love $1.

Referred to Com. on Sewers.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Richard Bly $14 09; John Stanley $12; Wm. B. Dunning $16 50; Thomas Royle $3 75, and Henry E. Sloat $3 25.

A claim of Wm. B Dunning amounting to $51 81 for printing and advertising, presented and referred to Com. on Finance, February 14th, 1860, was reported correct by said com. for $51 85, and that amount was ordered paid.

The City Clerk laid before the Board the following communication from his Honor the Mayor, filed in the City Clerk's office on the 21st instant, at 20 minutes past 3 o'clock p. m., and the same was read, received, ordered to be entered at large on the journal of proceedings of the Common Council, and was laid upon the table:

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
Jersey City, February 21st, 1860.

To the Honorable the Common Council.

GENTLEMEN: My acquiescence was asked by you on the 17th January to an application to the Legislature for an alteration of the charter, so far changing the appointment of the Police Force as to give the nomination thereof (subject to your approval) to the Mayor whenever a vacancy occurs, and making their continuance in office during good behavior.

As their appointment is now derived directly from the Common Council annually (and which body undergoes a change every year by a new election), it follows that changes occur therein from political results, regardless of qualification or efficiency gained by the members in office.

Public necessity demanded this act and public sentiment has desired it, so as to educate a corps of policemen, not selected for or under political influence, as no vacancy would occur except from just causes, first passed upon by your body.

I knew nothing of that bill until it was presented for my signature. Its features met my concurrence, but by some oversight in its drafting it could not go into effect until the 4th of July next, thus defeating the important object—that of retaining the present force during good behavior, which, without the above change, would have to go through the ordeal of the appointment in May next.

After consulting with a number of your Board, I give the measure my sanction, with the understanding that our representatives in the Legislature should be permitted to add a clause, causing the act to go into effect at once.

But this salutary bill, simple as it is, has not yet become a law, because its passage is impeded (as I am informed) by those who prefer to select the force as heretofore, annually, on party grounds.

I refer to this case now, in order to show how important it is that no alteration in the charter should be made without a full understanding beforehand between the co-ordinate branches of the city government, and a due submission thereof to the people.

In the same way, I am asked to concur with you in sending another supplementary bill to the Legislature, for changes in the charter. I have not been consulted, nor have the people of the city known of the contemplated changes contained in this bill, until presented in form for my signature.

I have no alternative left but to return it without my signature, or if my objection be overruled, to allow it to go to the Legislature, with a divided opinion as to its necessity, and thus putting its passage into a law quite in doubt.

For some years past, experience has demonstrated the propriety of many changes in the administration of the affairs of this city. In the annual message of my predecessors (Mayors Westcott and Manners) as well as in my own, some of these have been referred to and urged, but no progress has been made to consummate them. I had hoped that before I retired from office on the 1st of May next, such a desirable result would have been accomplished, and a bill therefor (after having the consideration and sanction of the people of the city) passed into a law.

The supplement now returned to you must undergo many changes before I can give you my sanction to it, and your minutes show that its adoption did not receive a harmonious vote from your Board.

It cannot be expected, then, it will be passed by the Legislature without opposition.

I do not think it necessary to go through minutely the supplement hereby returned. I may say that it is not desirable to multiply officers for record of births, marriages and deaths. In cities much larger than our own, one place for such record has been deemed most judicious.

It will not add to the credit of the city to repudiate a city of its indebtedness, as the water debt will be, if not provided for in the 3d section.

Enormous powers are asked for in section five and six, in regard to abating nuisances in buildings and elsewhere—filling and refilling sunken lots; also as to fencing lots—a proposition that has never been carried out in any city without an annual expense to the taxpayers arising from the annual winter appropriation for fuel of such materials by the poor of the city.

As to abating nuisances "in lots streets, docks, wharves, piers and buildings," by fine and imprisonment, as contemplated in section six—it appears to me this would be a highhanded measure, and not called for by any supposable case.

I may differ from you also as to the propriety of enlarging the time, and the redemption of, as well as the accumulation of heavy interest on property sold for taxes, water rents and assessments; at all events, so long as the city becomes a purchaser at said sales, to the serious derangement of its finances.

The tendency of such an arrangement being to relax inquiry by property owners or persons holding liens thereon; also to delay controversy as to the correctness of the assessments; to keep the city out of its just demands, and ultimately to heavy losses from the cancelment of assessments, declared by the courts to be irregular and void.

I might add other objections to justify the withholding of my approval of this supplement, but I consider the above sufficient to ask a reconsideration of your vote.

Permit me to suggest that all amendments heretofore submitted for some years past be placed in the hands of five citizens (not members of your body) a majority of whom to be counsellors-at-law, to be put in shape for your consideration and sanction.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

D. S. GREGORY, Mayor.

A communication was presented from his Honor the Mayor enclosing communications from G. H. Bailey, Superintendent and Engineer of the Water Works, and L. B. Ward, City Surveyor, in reference to a plan of city sewerage.

The communications were received, ordered to be printed in the papers of the city and referred to the Board of Water Commissioners.

The following communication from David Bedford, Recorder, was presented, received ordered to be entered in the minutes and the resignation was accepted.

To the Honorable the Common Council of Jersey City:

In consequence of other official duties the undersigned would respectfully signify to your Honorable Body, that he desires to resign the position to which he was elected in the year 1856, as Recorder of this city said resignation to take effect on the first Monday of May next.

He would further state that this early notice of his intention is given in order to enable your Honorable Body to take the necessary and appropriate measures to fill said office at the expiration of the time aforesaid,

Respectfully submitted by your obedient servant,

DAVID BEDFORD,

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "Application to have the side walks in Barrow street between Newark avenue and York streets flagged

eight feet in width wherever the same is not already flagged that width." The report was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "Application to have Prospect street from Pavonia avenue to the northerly boundary of Jersey City City regulated and paved." The report was received and ordered filed.

The committee on finance presented affidavits of E. B. Wakeman and J. Flemming, Jr., in reference to the payment of taxes of 1854, on part of lot B, Railroad ave block A, od Merseles' map belonging to John Kiernan; and a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sale of lot marked part of B on Merseles' map block A, be cancelled for the reason that it has been made to appear to your committee that the taxes on said lot had been paid to A. T. Smith, City Treasurer. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on assessment presented a report in reference to the assessment for the regulation of Coles street from South Fourth street to South Second street accompanied by the following resolutions.

Resolved, That an improvement Certificate be issued under the direction of the committee on finance in favor of I. B. & D. E. Culver, for fifty-six dollars and sixty cents being the amount of their bill for surveys, calculations and assessment map of the improvement of Coles street from the south side of South Second street to the south side of South Fourth street including intersections and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same and the city clerk be directed to affix the seal of the city thereto.

Resolved, That an improvement certificate be issued under the direction of the committee on finance in favor of Smith Mead for fifty seven dollars and fifty cents being the amount of his bill for superintending the improvement of Coles street from South Second street to South Fourth street including intersections and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same and and the city clerk be directed to affix the seal of the city thereto. The report was received.

The resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Thurston and Warner.

Naps—None.

Absent—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Edge, McLaughlin, Ogden and Tilden.

The committee on streets presented deeds from Cornelius Van Vorst, guardian of Julia Van Vorst and others, and Elizabeth B. Van Vorst and others, of part of block 18 Cornelius Van Vorst map. The deeds were received and referred to the corporation attorney for examination, and ordered if found to be correct by that officer, to be recorded in the clerk's office of the county of Hudson.

The committee on streets to whom was referred on the 7th inst, the claims of James F. Fielder amounting to $1810 52 for work and materials furnished in the improvement of Brunswick street from Railroad avenue to to Newark avenue reported said claim as correct.

The report was received and the claim referred to the committee on assessments to be assessed.

The committee on public grounds and buildings returned the claims referred to them on the 14th instant, of Charles Scott $79 22 and $54 93 for work and materials furnished at Station House and Bell Power, and said claims were referred to the Com. on Police.

The Special Com. appointed on the 18th instant to secure room for public meeting in reference to act before the Legislature, relating to water line, &c., reported the following resolutions:

Resolved, That a warrant for ten dollars be drawn in favor of P. Bentley for the use of Commercial Hall on Monday evening, February 20.

Resolved, That a warrant for three dollars be drawn in favor of John Trotter for posting notices relative to public meeting.

The resolutions were adopted.

Ald. Hardenbergh moved "That the further consideration of the subject of the erection of a City Hall be postponed until the coming in of the next Board."

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald. Hardenbergh, Hoffman and Warner.

Yeas—Ald. Hardenbergh and Thurston.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hoffman, McBride and Warner.

Absent—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Edge, McLoughlin, Ogden and Tilden.

Ald. Earle moved "That the Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings be instoucted to advertise for plans and specifications for a City Hall, to cost when erected not more than $20,000, to be erected on the lots on Newark avenue, owned by the city, and that they be authorized to insert in their advertisent that one hundred and fifty dollars will be paid for the plans and specifications which shall be approved and accepted by the Common Coudcil, and that nothing will be allowed for the rejected plans and specifications."

Ald. McBride moved to amend the motion by adding the words "the plans and specifications to be presented within five weeks from this date."

The amendment was adopted, and the motion as amended was adopted.

Ald. Hankins, from the Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings, presented plans of a City Hall and other public buildings.

The plans were ordered to be filed in the city clerk's office.

On motion of Ald. Hardenbergh the following entitled ordinance, presented December 27th, 1859, and laid upon the table, was taken up for consideration, viz:

"An ordinance to establish a Board of Health."

Ald. Hardenbergh moved to amend the ordinance by inserting as a substitute an ordinance, which he presented, entitled "An ordinance to establish a Board of Herlth."

The mosion to amend was adopted.

The ordinance as amended was laid upon the table, and ordered to be printed on slips for the use of the Board.

On motion of Ald. Thurston the Board adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.---OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, February 28, 1860, at 7½ o'clock, P M.

Present—President VanVorst and Aldermen Christie, Clarke, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Aldermen Brown, Decker, Edge and Tilden.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 21st inst. were read and approved.

A petition of John Davenport and others for the erection without delay of a temporary City Hall on the lots now owned by the city, corner of Newark avenue and Washington Place, was presented, received and referred to Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings.

A petition of John V. Brower and others for the privilege of doing their own work in the matter of laying sidewalks in front of their own property in Barrow st., &c., was presented, received and referred to the Com. on Streets, with power.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Of Stephen Quaife $100 ; James McLaughlin $25 67 and $12 89.

Referred to Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of H. Gottchius $50 72, and A. B. Reynolds $98 05.

Referred to Com on Lamps.

Of Hugh Reilly $39 49, and Township of Rahway $9 43 cents.

Referred to Com. on Alms.

Of Stephen Quaife $35 00.

Referred to Com. on Finance.

Of John Pringle $2 25

Referred to Com. on Fire and Water.

Of F. Sovckin $1 25.

Referred to Com. on Salaries, Offices and Elections.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct, and ordered paid, viz :

Of Matthew Erwin $103 67, and Nathaniel Ellis $39 68 cents.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of Ward & McGown $76 70 ; Smith Mead $28 37 ; Hugh McFadden $27 ; Thomas Martin $25 66 ; Japhet Jardine $10 40 ; W.T. Wier $8 ; Frederick Anness $5 51 ; Charles Scott $4 25 ; Japhet Jardine $3 93 ; J. A Burr $2, and Alex. Love $1 and $1.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department enclosing returns of the following elections, resignation and transfer in said department, confirmed by the Commissioners of the Fire Departmen

Elections of Henry R. Gray by Hose Co. No. 4, and Lyon L. Nathan by Hose Co. No. 3.

Resignation of James M. Reilly from Engine Co. No. 5.

Transfer of John B. Arthur from Engine Co. No. 2 to Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1.

The communications were received, and the action of the Commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department was approved and confirmed.

A communication from the Comptroller stating "that the quarter's rent due February 1st, 1860, on premises situated on the corner of Newark avenue and Washington Place, and leased to Mrs. E. Gibson, has not been paid, and asking for instructions in reference threto ;" was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Laws and Ordinances.

The following resolutions were presented by Alderman Hankins :

Resolved, That the resolutions in relation to the advertising for plans and specifications of a City Hall, passed by this Board January 31st, 1860, February 14, 1860, and February 21st, 1860, are hereby rescinded.

Resolved, That the Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings be and are hereby instructed to advertise for plans and specifications for a building, to be erected on the ground lately purchased by the city at the corner of Newark avenue and Washington alley ; said building to be used for the meetings of the Common Council and their committees, and for offices for the City Clerk, Comptroller, Collectors of taxes, arrears of taxes and assessments, Street Commissioner, and for such other offices as the said committee may deem expedient, said building when completed not to exceed in cost the sum of twenty thousand dollars, and the Common Council agree to pay the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars for such plan and specifications as may be accepted by them, but will allow no compensation for such plans and specifications as may be rejected ; said plans and specifications to be presented to the Common Council at its first regular meeting in April next.

On motion of Ald. Earle the second resolution was amended by striking out "one hundred and twenty-five dollars" and inserting "one hundred and fifty dollars."

The resolutions as amended were then adopted.

On motion of Ald. Hardenbergh the following entitled ordinance, presented February 21st, 1860, was taken up for consideration, viz :

"An ordinance to establish a Board of Health."

The ordinance was considered, amended, and as amended was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Christie, Clarke, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden and Warner.

Nay—Ald. Thurston.

Absent.—Ald. Brown, Decker, Edge and Tilden.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Clarke and adopted :

Resolved, That the number of constables to be elected at the approaching charter election shall be one for each ward of the city.

The following resolutions were offered by Alderman Hankins and unanimously adopted :

Resolved, That this Board have heard with deep regret of the death of ex-Alderman Richard K. Cornelison formerly a member of the Board from the 3d Ward.

Resolved, That we bear our willing testimony to the many virtues of our former colleague and friend, and regret the departure from our midst of a faithful friend and useful citizen.

Resolved, That we attend his funeral in a body.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be entered in the minutes of the Common Council, and a certified copy be furnished to the family of deceased.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL——OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, March 6, 1860, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President VanVorst and Aldermen Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Ald. Tilden was absent at the calling of the roll, but subsequently appeared and took his seat.

Absent—Alderman Christie.

The minutes of the regular meeting of February 28, inst., were read and approved.

Petitions were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Of Edward Osborne Dummer, M. D. to be appointed City Physician of the First and Second Wards.

Laid upon the table.

Of James Campbell and others to have the necessary steps taken to prevent the re-erection of Messrs. Van Syckel & Co's Tar Roofing Manufactory situate on Steuben Street and Railroad Avenue recently destroyed by fire.

Referred to the Aldermen of the Second Ward, and Alderman Hardenbergh named as the Chairman of the Committee.

Of D. Winans to have cancelled of record the sale made June 7, 1858 for taxes of 1857 of part of lot 1 South Second Street in block 179 and parts of lots 17 to 20 Jersey Avenue in block 179.

Referred to Com. on Finance.

Of A. F. Burlew and others to have Newark Avenue between Monmouth and South 5th Streets filled up to the established grade, curbed, guttered, paved, &c.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Of I. B. & D. E. Culver $68 for surveys, calculations and assessment map of the improvement of Brunswick Street from Railroad Avenue to Newark Avenue ; and William Bartle $36 25 for superintending the improvement of Brunswick Street from Railroad Avenue to Newark Avenue.

Referred to Committee on Streets ; which Committee subsequently reported said claims as correct.

The reports were received, adopted and the claims were referred to the Com. on Assessments to be assessed.

Of Adrian B. Reynolds $219 38, and Wm. B. Dunning $17.

Referred to Com. on Streets.

Of Henry A. Greene $26 17, and John H. Smith $24 12.

Referred to Com. on Fire and Water.

Of J. F. Richardson $43 25 ; Mrs. Ann Eaton $15 and Hugh Billingsley $12.

Referred to Com. on Lamps.

Of J. B. Stone $30.

Ref. to Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of Drayton and Durant $149 68.

Referred to Com. on Alms.

Of Wm. B. Dunning $88 80 and $8.

Referred to Com. on Finance.

Of J. F Richardson $12 25.

Referred to Com. on Police.

Of Henry A. Greene $5 85.

Ref. to Com. on Salaries, Offices and Elections.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their approprirte committees, afterwards reported correct, and ordered paid, viz :

Of Police Department $1,254 61, and Wm. B. Dunning $7.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of Alexander Love $625 ; H. Goetschius $50 72 ; Hugh Reilly $9 49 ; A. B. Reynolds $38 05 ; Stephen Quaife $35 ; James McLaughlin $5 67 and $12 89 ; Township of Rahway $) 43 ; John Pringle $2 25 ; Vanderbeck & Morrell $1 93 and F. Stoveken $125.

A communication from the Comptroller stating that he has received from Mrs. Gibson the rent of the building on the corner of Newark Avenue and Washington Alley due February 1st 1860, &c., was presented, received and ordered filed.

A communication from the Board of Water Commissioners enclosing an estimate by their engineer, of the probable cost of laying down a cast iron pipe under the Morris Canal and connecting the same with the sewer in Henderson street, &c., was presented, received, and with the estimate referred to the Committee on Sewers.

The City Treasurer's report for February showing a balance of $1724 48 in the Treasury on the 29th February, 1860, was presented, received and ordered filed.

A communication from the Board of Commissioners for assessments stating that in their opinion they have no legal authority to make up and report the assessment for the improvement and regulation of Newark Avenue from the west side of Warren Street to the east side of Jersey Avenue until the whole work contemplated by the ordinance is completed, &c., was presented, received and referred to the Com. on Assessments.

The Com. on Finance reported the following resolution which was received and adopted :

Resolved, That the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the corporation paper for the length of time required by the city charter a list of property still unredeemed, sold by the Corporation of Jersey City, June 7, 1858, for unpaid taxes of 1857.

The Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings, to whom were referred February 21st, 1860, the claims of Chas. Scott, amounting to $54 93 and $79 22, for carpenter's work and materials at Station House and Bell Tower, returned said claims, and they were then referred to the Com. on Fire and Water.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Thurston and adopted :

Resolved, That the Com. on Streets advertise for proposals for furnishing and setting the curb and gutter, and for flag and laying the same on the south side of Montgomery street, between Barrow and Grove Sts.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Warner and adopted :

Resolved, That the Com. on Lamps be authorized to request the Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Co. to lay down a main pipe in Gregory street, between Van Vorst and Henderson streets.

The following resolutions were offered by Alderman Hardenbergh :

Resolved, That the Com. on Finance be instructed to borrow for the use of the city, in order to meet the current demands upon the Treasury, and in anticipation of the taxes of the current year, the sum of fifteen thousand dollars, and that upon the requisition of the Com. on Finance a bond or bonds of the city be issued, said bond or bonds to be drawn payable December 23d, 1860.

Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor be requested and the City Clerk be instructed to sign the same, and attach the seal of the city thereto.

The resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Christie and Tilden.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hankins and adopted.

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings be and are hereby authorized to plant trees in Van Vorst Square, cost not to exceed one hundred dollars.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Thurston and adopted.

Resolved, That Com. on Lamps be requested to have the Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Co. lay a main pipe in South 3d street from Jersey Avenue to Coles street.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Earle and adopted.

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings be requested to examine the trees on and around the Public Grounds and to cause the same to be trimmed if in their opinion desirable.

(Alderman Tilden appeared and took his seat.)

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Alderman Hankins.

Whereas J. J. Hill is entitled to the second payment amounting to five hundred dollars, on his contract for building Hose Carriage House No. 2, in the 4th Ward as appears by a certificate of the Superintendent of the work filed in the City Clerk's office March 5, 1860, by the Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings, and now holds a City Bond for his first payment amounting to five hundred dollars and is desirous of receiving for said first and second payments on his contract a Coupon Bond, Therefore

Resolved, That on the filing in the City Clerk's office of a certificate by the Comptroller that the Bond now held by John J. Hill for five hundred dollars has been surrendered by him that then a Coupon Bond for one thousand dollars be issued under the direction of the Com. on Finance by His Honor the Mayor and the City Clerk under the Corporate Seal of the City in favor of the said John J. Hill for first and second payments on his contract for building Hose Carriage House No. 2, in the Fourth Ward ; said bond to be dated March 6, 1860, and drawn payable in fifteen years with interest at the rate of six per cent per annum.

The preamble and resolution were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Van Vorst, Ald. Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Christie.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Ald. Thurston and adopted :

Whereas warrants were ordered drawn in favor of parties to whom awards were made for the opening of Jersey street. And

Whereas the warrants have not been signed by his Honor the Mayor, and consequently the opening of the street is retarded. Therefore

Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to communicate to this Board his reasons for withholding his signature from the said warrants.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Earle and adopted :

Resolved, That it be the duty of the Com. on Sewers to request the Water Commissioners to report upon the application for sewer in Bright street, now in their hands.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Thurston :

Resolved, That in the laying of their rails by the Jersey City and Bergen Horse Railroad Company that they are entitled to all the Belgian pavement taken from the streets, also the cobble stones and sand.

The resolution was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald. Thurston, Tilden and Edge :

Yeas—Ald. Clarke, Decker and McLaughlin.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Brown, Earle, Edge Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Christie.

On motion of Ald. Hardenbergh the Board proceeded to the appointment of policemen to fill the vacancies in the first and second wards.

Ald. Clarke and Hankins were appointed and acted as tellers.

For policeman for the First Ward two ballotings were had which resulted as follows :

First balloting—

Thomas S. Robbins received eight votes.
Ira Smith received two votes.
James McCrury received one vote.
Patrick McDonroy received one vote.
Henry Manning received two votes.

Second balloting—

Thomas S. Robbins received ten votes.
Ira Smith received two votes.
Henry Manning received one vote.
James McCrury received one vote.
Kipp received one vote.

Whereupon Thomas S. Robbins having received the requisite number of votes was declared appointed a policeman for the First Ward.

For policeman for the Second Ward three ballotings were had as follows.

The same tellers acted.

First balloting—

James McCrury received five votes.
Matthew McKiernan received four votes
Ira Smith received three votes.
Two blanks were cast.

Second balloting—

James McCrury received five votes.
Matthew McKiernan received two votes.
Ira Smith received seven votes.

Third balloting—

James McCrury received four votes.
Ira Smith received ten votes
Matthew McKiernan received one vote.

Whereupon Ira Smith having received the requisite number of votes was declared appointed a Policeman for the Second Ward.

On motion of Alderman Clarke the vote was reconsidered by which the following resolution was this evening rejected.

Resolved, That in the laying of their rails by the Jersey City and Bergen Horse Railroad Company that they are entitled to all the Belgian pavement taken from the streets also the cobble stones and sand.

On motion of Alderman Earle the resolution was amended by adding the following words—"provided that the Company raise the street to such grade as shall be designated by the Committee on Streets."

The resolution as amended was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald. Hardenbergh, Hankins and McLaughlin :

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Clarke, Decker, Earle, McLaughlin and Ogden.

Nays—Ald. Brown, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Christie.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Tilden and was rejected :

Resolved, That the resolution heretofore passed directing the ringing of the Fire Alarm Bell three times daily be and is hereby rescinded.

Ald. Thurston offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Com. on Streets remove to the Corporation Yard all the surplus Belgian pavement stone that are not necessary for repaving inside and outside the track now being laid by the Jersey City & Bergen Horse Railroad, also all the cobble stones taken up by said company.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald. Thurston, Tilden and McBride :

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner,

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Clarke, Decker, Earle and Hoffman.

Absent—Ald. Christie.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Ald. Warner and adopted :

Whereas a vacancy now exists in the Board of Education from the Fourth Ward in consequence of the removal out of the ward of M. S. Wickware ; therefore be it

Resolved, That we now proceed to ballot for a member of the Board of Education from the Fourth Ward.

Aldermen Decker and Tilden were appointed and acted as tellers.

Two ballotings were had, as follows :

First balloting—

James Gopsill received five votes.
Seneca Alger received three votes.
Johnson Durant received one vote.
T. Alger received one vote.
Wm. Cox received one vote.
Tilden received one vote.
Two blanks were cast.

Second balloting—

James Gopsill received four votes.
Seneca Alger received six votes.
Jonathan Christie received four votes.

On motion of Ald. Thurston further balloting was postponed.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted :

Resolved, That the Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings be requested to confer with the trustees of this building relative to the erection of a chandelier for the purpose of the better lighting of the room.

On motion of Ald. Thurston, the objections of his Honor the Mayor to approving the amendments to the city charter, adopted by the Common Council February 7th, 1860, filed 21st, 1860, were taken from the table.

Ald. Thurston moved that the amendments be approved notwithstanding the objections of his Honor the Mayor.

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nas having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Brown, Decker, Hankins, Ogden and Thurston.

Nays—Ald. Clarke, Earle, Edge, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Christie.

Alderman Hardenbergh moved that section 10 of the amendments relative to the opening of Montgomery st. and the vacating of Gregory street be approved, and that certified copies be forwarded to the representatives from Hudson county in the Legislature, with a request that they urge its passage, and that said amendment be published in the corporation paper for one week.

On motion of Ald. Thurston the motion was amended so as to include section 3, relative to the amount of money to be raised by loan, and also section 11 relative to the collection of city revenues.

The motion as amended was adopted.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.---OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, March 13, 1860, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Aldermen Decker and Hoffman.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 6th inst., were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, &c., were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Petition of Abraham Hoely, Jr., and Thos. J. Clark, to have sale made March 23d, 1857, of lot 119 Railroad avenue, in block 48, for unpaid assessment, cancelled of record.

Referred to Com. on Finance, which committee subsequently presented a favorable report, accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That the City Clerk is hereby authorized to cancel of record the sale made on the 23d of March, 1857, of lot No (119) one hundred and nineteen Railroad avenue in block No. (48) forty eight on Smith's map, and sold to Philip Sellew for two dollars and eighty-three cents, for an unpaid assessment : said declaration of sale having been assigned by the said Sellew to one Thomas J. Clark, and subsequently stolen, said amount of sale, with interest, having been paid the attorney of the said Thomas J. Clarke : provided that the City Clerk in cancelling said record of sale shall write thereon Declaration issued for this sale, certified to the Common Council as having been lost or stolen.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

Petition of Warren B. Gardner for permission to redeem his lots Nos. 104 and 105 in Block 50, Smith's map, sold to the City Treasurer, July 28th, 1857, for water rents of 1856.

Referred to Com. on Finance.

Communication from John D. Ward in relation to the exact levels of mean high and low water in the harbor of New York, &c.

Referred to Com. on Sewers.

Petition of Rea and Pollock for a postponement of the sale of lots 97, 99, 101, 103 and 105, Grand st., in block 59, and advertised to be sold on the 15th inst. for the Grand street sewer assessment.

The following resolution in relation thereto was presented by Ald. Hardenbergh and adopted :

Resolved, That the City Clerk be instructed to postpone for the space of sixty days the sale of lots 97, 99, 101, 103 and 105, Grand street, block 59, now advertised for sale for unpaid assessments on the sewer in Grand street, for the reason that through an error the names of the owners of said lots, Messrs. Rea & Pollock, were not filed with the remonstrance thereto, the assessment having been carried to the Supreme Court.

Petition of John Cassedy and others to have crosswalks laid across Montgomery street at its intersection with Washington street.

Referred to Com. on Streets, with power.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz,

Of Ward & McGown, $122 ; and William Whitley, $11 33.

Referred to committee on Alms.

Of A. B. Reynolds, $51 46 ; and Thomas Royle, $25.

Referred to committee on fire and water.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz. :

Of Drayton & Durant, $149 68 ; Charles Scott, $79 22 ; William B. Dunning, $58 80 ; Charles Scott, $54 93 ; J. F. Richardson, $43 25 ; J. B. Stone, $30 ; Mrs. Ann Eaton, $15 ; J. F. Richardson, 12 25 ; Hugh Billingsley $12 and William B. Dunning, $7.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "Application to have opened Railroad avenue from the junction of Railroad avenue with Newark ave. to Grove street. The report was received and ordered filed.

The following requisition was presented from the Board of Education :

To the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City.

At a meeting of the Board of Education held on Monday evening, 5th instant, it was

Resolved by the votes of all the members present the yeas and nays being taken, that requisition be made upon the Common Council for the payment of the following claim :

Whyte & Kennedy for reslating School House No. 1, $150.

P. D. VROOM,
Clerk of Board of Education.

Jersey City, March 13, 1860.

The following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Alderman Warner and adopted :

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasury in favor of Whyte & Kennedy for the amount named in the requisition from the Board of Education.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department enclosing returns of the following elections and resignation in said department confirmed by the Commissioners of the fire department.

Elections of Richard Taylor and J. J. Comstock, Jr., by Hook and Ladder Co. 1 ; John Kaine and Patrick Reehil by Engine Co. No. 2; Alfred Moore, James W. McCarthy, Robert Bumsted and Horace R. Richardson by Engine Co. No. 5. Resignation of Alfred Jacobs from Hook and Ladder Co. No. 2. The communications were received and the action of the Commissioners of Jersey City Fire Department was approved and confirmed.

The Special Com., consisting of the Aldermen of the Second Ward, to whom was referred March 6th, 1860, the petition of James Campbell and others to have the necessary steps taken to prevent the re-erection of Messrs. Van Syckle & Co.'s Tar Roofing Manufactory in Steuben street and Railroad avenue, recently destroyed by fire, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That the City Clerk be requested to cause a copy of the above report to be served upon Messrs. Van Syckle & Co. or left at their place of business as soon as practicable.

The report was received and with the resolution laid upon the table until the next regular meeting of the Board.

The Com. on Finance to whom was referred January 24th, 1860, the communication from James Flemming, one of the assessors, showing error in Third Ward Assessor's book, in block 86 Van Vorst's map, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That upon the payment to Henry E. Insley Esq., collector of arrears of taxes, of the sum of forty-two dollars and eighty-four cents, he be authorized to issue to the said estate of Cornelius Van Vorst a receipt in full for the payment of taxes upon lots 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31 and 32 on block 86 Van Vorst's map.

The report was received and with the resolution laid upon the table until the next regular meeting of the Board.

The committee on finance to whom was referred March 6, 1860, the claim of Wm. B. Dunning, amounting to $8, for advertising financial statement by committee on finance, December 22, 1859, presented a report recommending that the claim be referred to the Corporation attorney.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The Committee on Laws and Ordinances to whom was referred, February 28, 1860, the communication from the Comptroller stating that the quarters rent due from Mrs. Gibson, February 1st, 1860, for property on the corner of Newark avenue and Washington Alley has not been paid, etc., presented a report stating that the rent has since been paid as will appear by the communication from the Comptroller presented to you on the 6th instant. The report was received and the Committee discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The Committee on Laws and Ordinances to whom was referred May 3, 1859, a number of ordinances not previously disposed of presented a report returning sundry ordinances in reference to the improvement of streets and recommending that they be referred to the committee on streets. The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

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The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The Com. on Laws and ordinances to whom was referred May 3d, 1859, a number of old ordinances which have never been disposed of presented a report thereon recommending the early consideration of the following entitled ones, viz :

"An ordinance providing for the appointment of auctioneers and prescribing their duties."

"An ordinance regulating the manner of Building dwelling houses and other buildings, and for the prevention of fires in Jersey City."

"An ordinance relative to streets."

"An ordinance concerning snow and ice."

"An ordinance to amend an ordinance entitled an ordinance to suppress vice and immorality, passed June 19th, 1855 ; approved July 4th, 1855."

The report was received and the ordinances laid upon the table.

The Com. on laws and ordinances who were instructed by resolution passed January 31st, 1860, to confer with James Gopsill, Esq., in relation to the purchase of files of newspapers for the year 1847 and part of 1848 &c., presented a report setting forth that they have been unable to make said purchase, but that Mr. Gopsill has signified his willingness to allow any parties access to the same upon application to him.

The report was received and the Committee were discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred February 14,1860, the petition of John Shields and others te have opened Railroad avenue from its junction with Newark avenue to Grove street presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolveds, That the offer of Cornelius Van Vorst to dedicate such parts of his land as may be necessary for the opening of Railroad avenue from its intersection with Newark avenue to the line of land of John Corrigan, Esq., be accepted by this Board, and that said part of said avenue be opened forthwith and the curb and gutter set and side walks flagged four feet wide under the direction of the committee on streets

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred May 10, 1859, the petition of Henry Litchild and others to have Newark avenue from Warren to Grove street raised to the established grade with the side walks on both sides and also the cross walks, curbs and gutters presented a report thereon setting forth that the improvement asked for has been completed and the claims of the parties who did the work are in the hands of the Board of Commissioners for Assessments to be assessed

The report was received

The Com. on Streets to whom was referred October 18, 1859, the proposals and bonds of James F. Fielder, Keeney & Halladay, John Coar and Alexander Wilson for contract to improve Bright Street at a lawful width of 80 feet from Grove Street to Jersey Street, including intersections, presented a report thereon stating that said contract has been awarded to James F. Fielder he being the lowest of said bidders, &c., and recommending that the bonds which accompanied the rejected proposals be returned to the principals named therein. The report was received and its recommendation adopted

The Com. on Streets to whom was referred March 6, 1860, the petition of A. F. Burlew and others to have Newark avnnue, between Monmouth and South Fifth sts., filled in to the established grade, guttered, paved, etc., presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That permission is hereby given to A. F. Burlew, F. Henry, Jacob Witterschein, Hugh Reilcy, Isaac Solomon, John Werder, Daniel Harper, W. L. Broking, Frances Frank, W. Schraumann, Ernest Ritz, Louis Mohl and Joseph B. Stone, to improve the street in front of their respective lots in Newark avenue between Monmouth and South 5th sts., by the filling in to the established grade, curbing, guttering and paving the same and flagging the sidewalks, provided said work be done at their own expense, but under the direction of the Committee on Streets, and said committee are hereby authorized to appoint a superintendent of said work who shall receive his compensation from the parties above named, and not from the city.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Com. on Streets, to whom was referred Feb. 28, 1860, with power, the petition of John V. Brower, Henry E. Insley, Eliza Barrow, Evan Jones, John N. Fiacre and T. Corrigan, stating that they have noticed that an application has been made to have the sidewalks on Barrow street, between Newark avenue and York St., flagged, and asking the privilege of doing their own work at their own expense, &c., presented a report thereon setting forth that the committee have granted the permission asked for on the following conditions, viz : That the work be completed before the 1st July, 1860 ; that good materials be furnished and the work done in a good and substantial manner, acceptable to the Com. on Streets.

The report was received.

The Com. on Streets, to whom was referred Dec. 20, 1859, the remonstrance of H. M. Traphagen against the action of the Common Council directing the removal of his house from Newark avenue, &c., presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That the matters in controversy between the city and Henry M. Traphagen respecting the encroachments on Newark avenue, between Jersey avenue and Grove street, be submitted to arbitrators as proposed in Mr. Traphagen's remonstrance of December 20, 1859, and that the Com. on Streets be instructed to select one arbitrator on the part on the city, that one be selected by Henry M. Traphagen, and that the two arbitrators above provided select a third, and the corporation attorney is hereby instructed to prepare the necessary and requisite papers connected with such arbitration.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Com. on Streets to whom were referred October 1859, the proposals and bonds of James F. Fielder and Keeney and Halladay for contract to improve Brunswick street, from the northerly side of Railroad avenue to the southerly side of Newark avenue, including intersections, presented a report thereon stating that said contract has been awarded to James F. Fielder, he being the lower of said bidders, &c., and recommending that the bonds which accompanied the rejected proposals be returned to the principals named therein.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The Com. on Fire and Water to whom was referred February 7, 1860, the petition of members of Hercules Engine Company No. 3 to have a large first-class Philadelphia Engine purchased for said company, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Therefore Resolved, That the Com. on Fire and Water be empowered to carry out said arrangements in the exchange and purchase of said engine.

The report was received and the resolution adopted

The Com on Public Grounds and Buildings to whom was referred February 28, 1860, the claim of Stephen Quaife, amounting to $100, for making a complete set of plans of proposed temporary City Hall, reported said claim as correct.

The report was ordered to be laid upon the table until the next regular meeting.

The following resolutions were presented by Alderman Clarke, and ordered to be laid on the table until the next regular meeting of the Common Council.

Resolved, That the following are hereby designated as the places for holding the polls of the Charter election now approaching, viz :

First Ward—At the old Hook and Ladder House in Sussex street, between Washington and Warren streets.

Second Ward—Old One Hose House at the junction of York and Gregory Streets.

Third Ward—Engine House No. 5, in Mercer between Grove and Barrow streets.

Fourth Ward—At the House of Phœnix Hose Co. No. 2, near the junction of Bay Street and Newark Avenue.

Resolved, That the City Clerk is hereby instructed to publish in both of the newspapers of this city from the date of approval of these resolutions until the day of election, a list of the above appointments.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Earle and adopted :

Resolved, That the Com. on Lamps are hereby authorized to have placed upon each lamp, standing at a street corner, the names of the streets at the corner of which it stands.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman McBride :

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings be authorized to order one or two tons of coal for the use of Public School No. 3, for the purpose of drying the building, and testing the heating apparatus.

On motion of Alderman Earle the resolution was amended by striking out the words "and testing the heating apparatus."

The resolution as amended was then rejected.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Tilden and adopted :

Resolved, That the Corporation Attorney is hereby requested to report to this Board at its next regular meeting his opinion in writing as to the proper time and mode of filling the vacancy in the office of Recorder which will occur on the first Monday in May next, pursuant to the communication from that officer received February 21st, 1860.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Tilden and adopted

Resolved, That the Com. on Sewers be and they are hereby instructed to lay iron pipe under the Morris Canal from the foot of Henderson Street to the river, at a cost not to exceed four hundred and fifty dollars.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Warner and adopted :

Resolved, That the Committee on Alms be and are hereby requested to report as soon as possible relative to the purchase of a *poor house farm.*

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Earle and rejected :

Resolved, That the Com. on Police are hereby instruc-

ted to cause the fire alarm bell to strike the hour daily at 6 o'clock a.m. and at 9 o'clock p.m., instead of the hours heretofore designated.

Ald. Thurston moved, That the Com. on Police be instructed to cause the further ringing of the fire bell to be discontinued except in cases of fire.

The motion was lost.

The following resolution was offered by Ald Hardenbergh and adopted :

Resolved, That the Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings be requested to report to this Board whether any, and if any, what plans can be adopted for the purpose of properly ventilating the cells in the new Station House, and for the erection of a railing around the doorway on Washington Alley.

On motion of Ald. Hardenbergh the Board proceeded to the appointment of a member of the Board of Education from the Fourth Ward to fill the vacancy occasioned by the removal from said ward of M. S. Wickware.

Two ballotings were had which resulted as follows, Ald. Brown and Warner acting as tellers.

First balloting—

Seneca Alger received two votes.
William Powell received one vote.
J. S. Christie received four votes.
James Gopsill received one vote.
J. D. Miller received five votes.
One blank was cast.

Second balloting—

J. D. Miller received nine votes.
William Powell received one vote.
J. S. Christie received three votes.
Seneca Alger received one vote.

Whereupon J. Dickinson Miller having received the requisite number of votes was declared appointed a Member of the Board of Education for the unexpired term of Melancthon S. Wickware.

On motion of Alderman Tilden the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.—OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, March 20th, 1860, at 7½ o'clock P.M.

Present—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Edge.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 13th inst. were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, &c., were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Petition of P. H. Zabriskie to have Grand street, between Jersey street and the Mill Creek, filled to grade, curbed and guttered, and sidewalks flagged four feet wide.

Referred to Com. on Streets.

Petition of Alexander McDonald for a license to keep a junk shop at 42 Monmouth street.

Referred to Com. on Licences.

Communication from Michael Kilcauley, policeman, preferring charges against Jacob Z. Marinus, Chief of Police, for unofficer-like conduct.

Referred to Com. on Police.

Communication from Van Syckel and Bennett, Successors to P. D. Van Syckel and Co., asking the Common Council to suspend further action upon the report of the Special Committee in reference to the manufactory of said Van Syckel and Bennett, &c.

Referred to the Aldermen of the Second Ward.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Of Alexander M. C. Smith $1539 45 ; Thomas Gross $37 59 ; Alexander Love $20 ; Japhet Jardine $17 95 ; J. M. Clarke $3 50, and S. A. French $1 00.

Referred to Com. on Fire and Water.

Of Patrick Farrell $10 75 ; S. A. French $9 99 ; Peter Curley $3 ; and Japhet Jardine $1 85.

Referred to Com. on Alms.

Of John H. Lyon & Co., $22 50, $18, $15 and $6.

Referred to Com. on Finance.

Of James F. Fielder $190 11.

Referred to Com. on Sewers.

Of Thomas Martin $56 46.

Referred to the Special Com. on Hamilton Square.

Of J. F. Richardson $10.

Referred to Com. on Pub. Grounds and Buildings.

Of Michael Hall $2 50.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

The following claims and accounts, presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct, and ordered paid, viz :

Of Ward and McGown $122; A. B. Reynolds $51 46; Henry A. Greene $26 17 ; Thomas Royle $25 ; John H Smyth $24 12, and Wm. Whitley $11 33.

A communication from the Engineer of the Board of Water Commissioners, in answer to the request made of that Board by the Common Council November 15th, 1859, for an estimate and descripti n of the cost of building a lateral sewer in Bright street from Grove st. to Jersey street, under the application of Thomas D. Jordan and John Coar, presented November 1st, 1859, was presented, setting forth that he does not furnish an estimate and description for the reason that the general plan of sewerage provides for a main sewer in Bright street, &c.

The communication was received and referred to Com. on Sewers.

A communication was presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department enclosing the return of the election of FellxMcElroy by Engine Co. 2 confirmed by the Fire Commissioners.

The communication was received and the action of the Commissioners of the Fire Department was approved and confirmed.

An opinion of the city attorney in reference to claim of Wm. B. Dunning, amounting to $8, referred to that officer March 13th, 1860, was presented, setting forth that the work done is in his opinion embraced in the ordinance defining the duties of the corporation printer and fixing his compensation.

The opinion was received and ordered filed.

An opinion of the Corporation Attorney as to the proper time and mode of filling a vacancy in the office of Recorder of Jersey City which will occur on the first Monday of May next was presented ; the opinion setting forth that the legal effect of the resignation in this case is to vacate the office on the first Monday of May next, and the remainder of the current civil year will be from that day to the first Monday of May following and that the Common Council may at any time after the first Monday of May next appoint to fill such vacancy, and that said vacancy cannot be filled by a special Election.

The opinion was received and on motion of Alderman Clarke, it was

Resolved, That the views set forth in the opinion of the City Attorney presented this evening as to the proper time and mode of filing a vacancy in the office of Recorder of Jersey City which will occur on the first Monday of May next are hereby adopted as the decision of this Board.

The Collector of Arrears of Taxes return of list of delinquents with a statement of the sums due from each of them was presented, received and on motion of Ald. Hardenbergh it was

Resolved, That the Collector of Arrears of Taxes list of arrearages be referred to the Com. on Finance with instructions to advertise and sell according to law all real estate upon which the taxes for the current year have not been paid and with power to make all needful rules and regulations for the government of such sale and with authority to suspend or adjourn the sale of the same or any part thereof.

The Com. on Finance to whom was referred March 6th, 1860, the petition of D. Winans to have cancelled of Record the sales made June 7th, 1858, for taxes of 1857, of part of lot 17, South 2d st., in block 179, and parts of lots 17 to 20, Jersey avenue, block 179, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sale of let part 17 to 20, Jersey avenue, block 179, assessed to owner, unknown, for taxes of 1857, be cancelled of record by the city clerk, for the reason that the assessment was erroneous.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Com. on Streets, to whom was referred January 17, 1860, the petition of Charles S. Archer and others to have Prospect street from Pavonia avenue to the northerly boundary of the city, regulated and paved presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following entitled ordinance, viz :

"An ordinance to provide for filling in to the established grade, paving and laying bridge stone crosswalks at all the intersections in Prospect street from the north side of Pavonia avenue to the northerly boundary of Jersey City, including all intersections.

The report was received and the ordinance laid upon the table.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred July 26th, 1859, the petition of Thomas Royle and others, to have the side walks in front of lots numbered 9,11, 21 and 23 in block number 2, as designated on Clerk and Bacot's map, refilled, flagged, &c., presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following entitled ordinance, viz :

"An ordinance to provide for resetting the curbs and gutters, refilling and flagging the side walks, four feet wide in front of certain lots on the south side of Essex Street between Greene and Hudson Streets."

The report was received and the ordinance laid upon the table.

The Com. on Streets to whom was referred July 26, 1859, the petition of Thomas Royle and others to have the sidewalks in front of lots numbered 10 and 12 in block numbered 3, as designated on Clerk & Bacot's map presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following entitled ordinance, viz :

"An ordinance to provide for filling in the sidewalks and repairing the flagging on the same of certain lots on the north side of Essex Street between Hudson and Greene Streets."

The report was received and the ordinance laid upon the table.

The Com. on Streets to whom was referred March 13th, 1860, on the recommendation of the Com. on Laws and ordinances, an ordinance originally presented to the Common Council March 20th, 1855, entitled "an ordinance to provide for filling in, grading, curbing, paving, flagging sidewalks, laying cross walks and guttering Montgomery Street between Barrow street and Jersey street including intersections," reported back said ordinance and recommended its passage.

The report was received and the ordinance laid upon the table.

The Com. on Streets reported the following entitled ordinance, viz :

"An ordinance to provide for the opening of a street from where Newark avenue intersects Railroad avenue to the east line of Grove street along the northerly line of the track of the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company.

The ordinance was received and laid upon the table:

The Com. on Streets returned the claim of Wm. B. Dunning, amounting to $17, referred to them March 6, 1860, and the same was referred to the Committee on Sewers.

The Com. on Police to whom was referred the charge against policeman O'Donnell, presented a report setting forth that "they are of opinion that there was no

malfeasance upon the part of said officer, as no proof was made before the committee tending to show any such misconduct as is stated in the charge preferred against him.

The report was received and laid upon the table.

The Com on Streets to whom was referred March 13, 1860, the communication of John D. Ward in relation to the exact levels of mean high and low water, &c., presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That the true levels of high tide be ascertained by Messrs. I. B. and D. E. Culver from Mr. Ward's experiments, and that a numerous list of bench marks be established throughout the city upon substantial buildings and that a map of the same be made and filed in the City Clerk's office at a cost not to exceed one hundred dollars, the same to be done under the direction of the Com. on Sewers and Streets that hereafter all improvements may conform to true high tide instead of an assumed high water line.

The report was received and the resolution laid upon the table until the next regular meeting of the Common Council.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Ald. Thurston and adopted :

Whereas, lots known as numbers 176 and 177, Mann's map, in the third ward of Jersey City have been sold from time to time by the Mayor and Common Council for taxes, water rents or assessments, and

Whereas, the said lots form part of a public street in said city, known as Bright Street, according to the opinion of the Court of Errors and Appeals of this State, now therefore be it

Resolved, That upon the due execution of such assignments by John Patten, jr., of the declarations of sale for said lots as he may hold or be entitled to under his seal a warrant be drawn on the City Treasury at the requisition of the Comptroller payable to the order of said Patten for the amount of money heretofore paid by said Patten into the city treasury on sales made by the Mayor and Common Council for taxes, water rents or assessments or for any sums said Patten may have paid into the city treasury on account of such sales with interest thereon at the rate of 15 per ct. per annum, and that the Com. on Streets be empowered to sell for such sums as they may deem meet the building or buildings on said lots, and have the same removed in order to have Bright street opened to its full width in conformity with the opinion aforesaid.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Ald. Hankins and adopted :

Whereas not one omnibus license has been applied for or issued during the present municipal year, although by ordinance of the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City every omnibus driver in the city is required to be licensed. Therefore

Resolved, That the Chief of Police is hereby instructed to take the necessary steps, under the advisement of the corporation attorney, to prosecute for every violation of the ordinance regulating omnibusses, &c.

On motion of Ald. Clarke the following resolutions presented March 13th, 1860, and laid upon the table until the next regular meeting of the Common Council, were taken up for consideration :

Resolved, That the following are hereby designated as the places for holding the polls of the charter election now approaching, viz :

FIRST WARD.

At the old Hook and Ladder House in Sussex street, between Washington and Warren streets.

SECOND WARD.

Old 1 Hose House, at the junction of York and Gregory streets.

THIRD WARD.

At Engine House No. 5, in Mercer street, between Grove and Barrow streets.

FOURTH WARD.

At the house of Phoenix Hose Co. No. 2, near the junction of Bay Street and Newark avenue.

Resolved, That the City Clerk is hereby instructed to publish in both of the newspapers of this city from the date of approval of these resolutions until the day of election a list of the above appointments.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the resolution was amended by striking out the words " At Engine House No. 5, in Mercer Street between Grove and Barrow Streets" the place designated in the Third Ward, and inserting in their stead the words " At the old Station House corner of Wayne and Henderson Streets."

The resolutions as amended were adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Hardenbergh :

Resolved, That the Com. on Streets be authorized to have as many lanterns as they may deem necessary for public safety placed around the vacant lots situate on Warren, York, and Gregory Streets and Newark avenue."

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the resolution was amended by striking out the words " Com. on Streets" and inserting in their stead the words " Aldermen from the Second Ward."

The resolution as amended was adopted.

(Ald. Thurston obtained leave and retired.)

On motion of Ald. Hardenbergh the report and following resolution of the Com. on Finance, on the communication from James Flemming, one of the assessors showing error in 3d ward assessor's book, in block 86, Van Vorst's map, presented March 13, 1860, and laid upon the table until the next regular meeting of the Common Council, were taken up for consideration :

Resolved, That upon the payment to Henry E. Insey, Esq., collector of arrears of taxes, of the sum of forty-two dollars and eighty-four cents, he be authorized to issue to the said estate of Cornelius Van Vorst a receipt in full for the payment of taxes upon lots 21, 22 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31 and 32, on block 86 Van Vorst's map.

The report and resolution were again laid upon the table.

On motion of Ald. McBride the report and following resolution of the special consisting of the aldermen of the 2d ward, on the petition referred to them March 6, 1860, of James Campbell and others to have the necessary steps taken to prevent the re-erection of Van Syckle & Co.'s Tar Roofing Manufactory in Steuben st. and Railroad avenue, recently destroyed by fire, presented March 13th, 1860, and laid upon the table until the next regular meeting of the Common Council, were taken up for consideration:

Resolved, That the city clerk be requested to cause a copy of the above report to be served upon Messrs Van Syckle & Co., or left at their place of business, as soon as practicable.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the claim of Stephen Quale for making a complete set of plans, with section for the proposed temporary City Hall, under the directions of the Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings amounting to $100, reported correct March 13, 1860, by the Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings, and laid upon the table until the next regular meeting of the Common Council, was taken up for consideration.

Alderman Hankins moved "That the claim be paid."

Alderman Earle moved to amend the motion by inserting that fifty dollars be paid in full for said plans.

The motion to amend was lost.

The motion of Alderman Hankins was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Alderman Hardenbergh, Tilden and McLaughlin.

Yeas—President Van Vorst, Alderman Clarke, Hankins, McBride, McLaughlin and Warner.

Nays—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Decker, Earle, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, Ogden and Tilden.

Absent—Aldermen Edge and Thurston.

Ald. Earle moved that fifty-one dollars be paid for making said set of plans for City Hall and other public buildings.

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald. Hardenbergh, Tilden and Earle :

Yeas—Ald. Brown, Decker, Earle, Hoffman, McLaughlin and Ogden.

Nays—Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Christie, Clarke, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Edge and Thurston.

On motion of Ald. Tilden the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.---OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, March 27th, 1860, at 7½ o'clock P.M.

Present—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Christie, Hoffman, and McLaughlin.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 20th inst. were read, amended on motion of Alderman Earle by striking out the words "and other public buildings" from his motion to pay fifty-one dollars for making plans of City Hall, and as amended were approved.

Petitions, communications, &c., were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Petition of Stephen Garretson and Edward Coles executor and agent for Heirs of J. B. Coles owners of lots on Prospect street between the centre lines of North Third street and North Fifth street for permission to regulate and pave said portion of Prospect street at their own expense. Referred to Committee on Streets with power.

Petition of Cornelius Kane, Hugh Reilly and F. N. Horsley agent for Abraham Collard for permission to lay South 7th street where it intersects with Newark avenue and Monmouth street, at their own expense under the direction of the Committee on Streets.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

Petition of Charles Hall to have a lamp placed in front of his property on Jersey avenue near North 2d street. Referred to Committee on Lamps.

Petition of the Trustees of the Second Presbyterian Church to have remitted the Assessment on the property of that Church, for building a sewer in South Sixth street, &c. Referred to Committee on Assessments.

Communication from Adrian B. Reynolds requesting the Mayor and Common Council to issue to F. J. Mallory an Improvement Certificate in the sum of fifteen hundred and nine dollars and eighty-two cents, for work and materials furnished in the improvement of Newark avenue from Warren street to Jersey avenue. Referred to Committee on Assessments.

A claim of Mynard Sharp for coal and wood for Station House amounting to $104 01, was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Police.

A claim of Mynard Sharp for coal and wood for city offices and old city prison, amounting to $65 65, was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Alderman McBride being the only member of the Committee on licenses present, requested the appointment of two members of the Board to act on that committee for this meeting, whereupon the President appointed Aldermen Edge and Brown.

The following claims and accounts, presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct, and ordered paid, viz :

Of James F. Fielder, $190 11 ; John H. Lyon & Co., $22 50 ; $18 ; $15 $15 and $6 ; Patrick Farrell, $10 75; J. F. Richardson, $10 ; S. A. French, $9 99 and Henry A. Greene, $5 85.

A communication was presented from the Board of Trustees of the Jersey City Fire Department Fund nominating the following named persons as Fire Wardens for the ensuing year :

For the First Ward—John Perrine and John H. Bucas.

For the Second Ward—William Coleman and Jas. Flemming.

For the Third Ward—William Bumstead and John McCuigan.

For the Fourth Ward—Elison E Duncan and Chas. H. O'Neil.

The communication was received, and the nominations were unanimously approved and confirmed.

A communication was presented from Charles Fink, Esq., President of the Board of Water Commissioners, tendering his resignation as a Water Commissioner, said resignation to take effect on the ninth day of April next. The communication was received, the resignation accepted and ordered filed, and the City Clerk instructed to notify the Ward Clerks of such resignation.

A communication was presented from Jacob Z Marinus, Chief of Police, denying the truthfulness of the charges preferred against him, March 20, 1860, by Policeman Michael Kilcauley, and asking for an early investigation of the same. The communication was received and laid upon the table.

The City Clerk presented an order of the Supreme Court received by him March 24, 1860, at half-past ten o'clock a. m., directing that the names of Hugh S, Pollock and David Rea, be added to, and endorsed on the writs of certiorari in the matter of the Grand street sewer assessment, and that said parties be entitled to all the benefits from said writs, and ordering the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City to take no further or other proceedings to collect the said assessment as against the said Hugh S. Pollock and David Rea, and that all further proceedings as to them be stayed until the further order of the Supreme Court.

The order was received, referred to the Corporation Attorney, and all proceedings so far as Rea and Pollock are concerned ordered to be discontinued under the Grand street sewer assessment.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred March 13, 1860, the petition of Warren B Gardner for privilege to redeem lots numbered 104 and 105 Steuben street in block numbered 50, sold July 28, 1857. for Water rents of 1856, to the City Treasurer, presented a avorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That permission be granted to Warren B. Gardner to redeem lots 104 and 105 block 50. Smith's map upon application to the City Clerk provided the redemption be made in the manner usual in such cases.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets reported the following resolution :

Resolved, That Saturday, April 21, 1860, at 7½ o'clk p.m., at the City Clerk's Office, No. 23 Montgomery st is hereby appointed as the time and place, when and where the Committee on Streets of this Common Council will meet for the purpose of hearing on the merits of the same, all parties interested in the application presented to this Common Council, July 5, 1859, by Andrew Clerk and others to have South 3d street between the centre of Prospect and the westerly side of Provost street filled to the established grade, paved, curbed and gutterd, and both sidewalks flagged four feet wide where not already done, and where curbing, gutterning and flagging may be required ; and that the City Clerk is hereby instructed to publish the Corporation paper for the length of time required by the city charter, notice of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets presented a report accompanied by the following resolution and recommending its adoption :

Resolved, That the Committee on Streets be and are hereby authorized to cause to be advertised in the Jersey City papers a notice calling for proposals for contract to improve Morgan street from Prospect to Greene st including all intersections by filling in the street to the established grade, paving, curbing, guttering, and flagging the sidewalks four feet wide as set forth in the ordinance passed July 5, 1859, and approved July 8, 1859.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets presented a report setting forth that they have advertised for proposals for contract to regulate the side walk on the north side of Railroad avenue from Newark avenue to the line of land of John Corrigan and submitting two sealed proposals received by them in answer to their advertisement, and recommending that said proposals be opened and read.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The proposals were opened, read and found to be from F. J. Mallory, accompanied by a bond and A. Love not accompanied by a bond.

The following resolution in relation to said proposals was offered by Alderman Thurston and adopted :

Resolved, That the two proposals received and read at this meeting of the Common Council for the contract to regulate the sidewalk on the north side of Railroad avenue from Newark avenue to the line of land of John Corrigan, be referred to the Committee on Streets with power to contract with the lowest bidder if the Committee deem it to the interest of the city so to do ; and the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and requested to execute under the corporate seal of the city, on the requisition of the Committee on Streets such contract when awarded by said committee as shall have been prepared by the Corporation Attorney, and executed by the party who shall have obtained the above mentioned contract.

The Committee on Streets presented a report setting forth that pursuant to resolution passed March 6, 1860, they have advertised for proposals for contract to improve the south side of Montgomery st between Barrow and Jersey streets, and submitted two sealed prosposals received by them in answer to said advertisement and recommending that the same be opened and read.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The proposals were opened, read and found to be from John Wilson and F. J. Mallory accompanied by bonds.

The following resolution in relation to said proposals was offered by Alderman Thurston and adopted :

Resolved, That the two proposals received and read

this meeting of the common council for contract at to furnish and set the curb and gutter, and for furnishing flag stones laying same the south side of Montgomery st between Barrow & Jersey st be referred to the com on streets with power to contract with the lower of said bidders if the committee deem it to the interests of the city so to do; and the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and requested to execute under the corporate seal of the city on the requisition of the Committee on Streets such contract when awarded by said committee as shall have been prepared by the Corporation Attorney; and executed by the party who shall have obtained the above mentioned contract.

The Committee on Sewers returned the claim referred to them March 20, 1860, of William B. Dunning for publishing communications in reference to City Sewerage, amounting to $17, and on motion of Alderman Tilden the claim was refeered to the Corporation Attorney with instructions to furnish his written opinion as to the legality of said claim.

Alderman Thurston offered the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, The twenty days during which the Morris Canal and Banking Company were permitted by this Board to continue their building on Hudson st. between a point one hundred feet south of Essex street and the Morris Canal Basin, has expired long since, and the building has not been removed. Therefore

Resolved, That the City Attorney be empowered to take the necessary steps for the removal of said building, and that the Street Commissioner be instructed under the direction of said attorney to serve the necessary notices therefor. The preamble and resolution were adopted.

On motion of Alderman Tilden the report and resolution of the committee on sewers, presented on the 20th inst., in reference to mean high and low water in the Harbor of New York, etc., were taken from the table and recommitted to the Committee on sewers.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred March 20, 1860, the petition of Alexander McDonald, for a license to keep a junk shop at No. 42 Monmouth street presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Alexander McDonald to keep a junk shop at No. 42 Monmouth st., in the Fourth Ward of Jersey City, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The report was received and the resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Clark, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, McBride, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Ald. Hardenbergh.

Absent—Aldermen Christie, Hoffman and McLaughlin.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the vote was reconsidered by which the following resolution was adopted at tee last meeting of the Common Council.

Resolved, That the Aldermen from the Second Ward be authorized to have as many lanterns as they may deem necessary for public saisty placed around the vacant lots situate on Warren, York and Gregory sts. and Newark avenue.

On motion of Alderman Hardenbergh the resolution was laid upon the table.

The following resolution was presented by Alderman Hardenbergh:

Resolved, That the Street Commissioner be instructed to abate the nuisance now existing, by reason of the dangerous condition of the side walks where excavations have been made in lots on Newark avenue, York and Gregory streets.

The resolution was adapted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh, Warner and Hankins.

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Clarke, Decker, Edge Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride Ogden, Thurston and Tilden.

Nays—Aldermen Earle and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Christie, Hoffman and McLaughlin.

On motion of Alderman Clarke the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk

COMMON COUNCIL.—OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, April 3d, 1860, at 7½ o'clock P.M.

Present—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Ald. McLaughlin.

The minutes of the regular meeting of March 27th, 1860, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, &c., were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Petition of R. B. Earle and others to have a portion of York street paved with Belgian pavement.

Referred to com. on streets.

Petition of Thos. Lynch for a license to keep a junk shop at No. 11 Railroad avenue.

Referred to com. on licences.

Petition of Levi Decker and others that so much of the ordinance in relation to the laying of rails by the Jersey City and Bergen Horse Railroad Co. as consents to the use of Grove street, between York and Grand streets, be repealed, and that in lieu thereof the Railroad Company be permitted to lay their rails through the centre of either Jersey or Barlow streets, to York street, and through the centre of York street to its intersection with Gregory street.

Referred to com. on streets.

Petition of Carkson N. Potter, stating that lots belonging to him have been sold with others which he does not own, and asking that an apportionment may be made of the amount to be paid by him, etc.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petition of Robert C. Bacot to have cancelled the sale of lot No. 155 Bay st. in block No. 53, S. W. Smith's map, made June 7, 1858 for taxes of 1857.

Referred to Committee on Finance, and subsequently favorably reported upon, the following resolution accompanying the report.

Resolved, That the City Clerk be instructed to cancel of record sale made June 7th, 1858 for taxes of 857, of lot erroneously assessed by the assessors and sold by the city as No. 156 Bay st., block No. 53, S. W. Smith's map. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Of Alexander Love $37 45; William Bumstead & Co. $50; and S. C. McLaughlin $16 50. Referred to Com. on Fire and Water.

Of William Bumstead & Co $8 37; Charles H. Winfield, $8; and W. S. Morton, $1 50. Referred to Com on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of Stephen Quaife, $58 50. Referred to committee on Finance.

Of Hugh Reilly $46 61. Referred to com. on alms

Of J. F. Richardson, 23 50. Referred to Committee on police.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz. :

Of Police Department $1349 29: Drayton & Durant, $139 70; Matthew Erwin, $130 52; Joseph Pye, $8; Ward & McGown, $78 61; Nathaniel Ellis, $52 38; J. F. Richardson, $5 75; H. Goetsebies, $50 93; A. B. Reynolds, $34 78; S. A. French $19 53; Mrs. Ann Eaton, 15; Hugh Billingsley, $12.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz. : Of M. Sharp, $104 01; Peter Curley, $3 and Japhet Jadine, $1 85.

A communication was presented from the city attorney as to the legality of the claim referred to him March 27th, 1860, of Wm. B. Dunning, for publishing communications in reference to plan of sewerage, amounting to $17, setting forth that in his opinion the claim is legal and should be paid.

The communication was received and ordered filed. The claim was referred to the com. on sewers, which committee subsequently reported said claim as correct. The report was received and the claim ordered paid.

The City Treasurer's report for the month of March, 1860, showing a balance in Treasury March 31, 1860, of $27,628, was presented, received and ordered filed.

A communication from J. M. Clark, Inspector and Sealer of Weights and Measures, containing a copy of the register required to be kept by him, was presented, received and ordered filed.

The resignation of David G. Christie, as clerk of the Fourth Ward, was presented, received, accepted and ordered filed.

The resignation of Wm. H. Bumsted, as Judge of Election for the Third Ward, was presented, received, accepted and ordered filed.

The resignation of Jas. Lynch as Judge of Election for the Second Ward, was presented, received, accepted and ordered filed.

The following requisition was presented from the Board of Education :

To the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City :

At a meeting of the Board of Education held on Monday evening, April 2d, 1860, it was

Resolved, by the votes of all the members present, the yeas and nays being taken, that requisition be made upon the Common Council for the payment of the following claims of

R. B. Earle & Co. for school furniture etc.	No 1	$21 15
do do	No 2	8 00
do do	Colored School	1 45
		$30 60
H. A. Greene, books, etc, School	No. 1,	46 63
do do	No. 2,	20 88
do do	No. 2,	28 81
		$96 32
David Easton, repairs School	No. 1	$1 43
do do	No. 2	9 29
do do	No. 1	28 41
do do	No. 2	13 88
		$3 01
Jacob Soney, locksmith,		2 50
Nath'l Johnson new desks & seats Sch'l	No. 1,	$1012 52

P. D. VROOM,
Clerk of Board of Education.

The requisition was received, and the following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Ald. Warner and adopted.

Resolved, That warrants be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of the claimants named in the requisition from the Board of Education for the amounts respectively named.

The committee on assessments to whom was referred March 27, 1860, the communication from Adrian B. Reynolds, requesting the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City, to issue to F. J. Mallory, Esq., an improvement certificate in the sum of fifteen hundred and nine dollars and eighty-two cents, for work and materials furnished in the improvement of Newark avenue from Warren street to Jersey avenue, presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the order of Adrian B. Reynolds on the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City to issue to F. J. Mallory an improvement certificate in the sum of fifteen hundred and nine dollars and eighty-two cents, for work and materials furnished in the improvement of Newark avenue from Warren street to Jersey avenue, be accepted, provided that when said improvement be completed it shall be found that the above named sum is due to Adrian B. Reynolds, and that whatever amount not exceeding that above stated which may be found due to said Adrian B. Reynolds, shall be paid by improvement certificates to the aforesaid F. J. Mallory, when the assessment for the above named improvement shall have been confirmed by the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on assessments to whom were referred November 22, 1859, to be assessed the claims of Jas. S. Noyes, for labor and materials furnished in the improvement of South 2d street, from Provost to Monmouth street including intersections amounting to $1534 58, of James S. Noyes for labor and materials furnished in the improvement of South 2d street from Provost street to Newark ave. including intersections amounting to $9; of William Moore for superintending the paving of South Second street from Prospect street to the River amounting to $30; of Hugh Keenan for superintending on South Second st amounting to $1 75 62 and of I. B. & D. E. Culver for surveys calculations and assessment map for the regulation of SouthSecond Street from the east side of Provost Street to the centre of Monmouth street including intersections amounting to $139 20 returned said claims and presented the Board of Commissioners for Assessments' report map and schedule for the improvement and regulation of South Second Street from Provost Street to Newark Avenue, including intersections : the report setting forth that the before mentioned claims have been assessed by them.

The report map and schedule were received and ordered filed in the City Clerk's office.

On motion of Alderman Earle it was

Resolved, That the City Clerk is hereby directed to give notice through the Corporation paper that the Board of Commissioners for Assessments' report map and schedule of the improvement and regulation of South Second Street from Provost Street to Newark Avenue, including intersections are on file in th

City Clerk's office No. 23 Montgomery S reet, and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber on Tuesday the 17th April instant at 7½ o' clock, P.M, to consider said assessment and to receive and consider all objections thereto, which may be presented in writing.

The com. on streets presented a report setting forth that pursuant to the instructions contained in the resolution passed March 27th, 1860, and approved March 31st, 1860, they have advertised for proposals for the contract to improve Morgan street, from Prospect St. to Greene street, including all intersections, and have received in answer to said advertisement four sealed proposals which they submitted, the report recommending that the proposals be opened and read.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The proposals were found to be from the following named persons—every proposal being accompanied by a bond for the fulfilment of the contract if awarded :

James F. Fielder, John Coar, W. H. Gautier and Co. F. J. Mallory.

Ald. Thurston offered the following resolution in relation to said proposals :

Resolved, That the four proposals received and read at this meeting of the Common Council for the contract to improve Morgan street, from Prospect street to Greene street, including all intersections, by filling in to the established grade, paving, curbing, guttering and flagging the sidewalks four feet wide be referred to the com. on streets with power to contract with the lowest bidder if the committee deem it to the interests of the city so to do ; and the Mayor and city clerk are hereby authorized and requested to execute under the corporate seal of the city on the requisition of the committee on streets such contract when awarded by said committee as shall have been prepared by the corporation attorney and executed by the party who shall have obtained the above mentioned contract

The resolution was adopted.

The com. on streets submitted a bond of arbitration, prepared by the corporation attorney, between the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City and Henry M. Traphagen in relation to the alleged encroachment by his building on Newark avenue, and presented the following resolution in relation thereto :

Be it Resolved, That the agreement or bond of arbitration between the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City, of the first part, and Henry M. Traphagen of the second part, submitted by the corporation attorney, be accepted ; and that the Mayor be requested to sign his name, and the city clerk to affix the corporation seal thereto, after the blanks have been filled up under the direction of the com. on streets, and the execution of the same by said Traphagen.

The resolution was adopted.

The com. on sewers, to whom were recommitted March 27th, 1860, the communication from John D. Ward in reference to the exact levels of mean high and low water in the harbor of New York, etc., and the report and resolution of said committee presented March 20th, 1860, presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the communication of John D. Ward presented to this Common Council, March 1st, 1860, in relation to the exact levels of mean high and low water in the harbor of New York, be referred to the Board of Water Commissioners with full power to take whatever action on the subject they may deem expedient and proper.

On motion of Ald. Thurston the resolution was amended by striking out all after the words "water commissioners."

The resolution as amended was adopted.

The com. on sewers to whom was referred March 20, 1860, the application of Thomas B. Jordan and John Coar for the construction of a lateral sewer in Bright st., from Grove street to Jersey street, together with the communication in reference thereto from the Engineer of the Board of Water Commissioners, presented a report thereon setting forth that the general plan of sewerage contemplates a main and not a lateral sewer in Bright st., and that the Common Council can only construct a temporary sewer or drain on application signed by the owners of more than one-half of the property to be drained thereby, etc.

The report was received and the committee were discharged from the further consideration of the application.

The com. on public grounds and buildings who were instructed by resolution February 28th, 1860, and March 6th, 1860, to advertise for plans and specifications for a City Hall to be erected on the lots on Newark ave owned by the city, presented a report setting forth that they have carried out the instructions contained in said resolution, and in answer to their advertisement have received two plans and specifications, which were

The report was received, the plans and specifications were found to be from Stephen Quaife and D. Lienau.

On motion of Ald. Hankins the common council took a recess for fifteen minutes for the purpose of examining said plans and specifications.

On the reassembling of the Board Ald. Hankins moved "That the plans and specifications of the proposed city hall be referred to the committee on public grounds and buildings for examination, and that they be authorized to employ Messrs. Job Male, Andrew Clerk and James Flemming to assist them in such examination, and ascertain which of them can be carried out within the appropriation.

The motion was adopted.

The com. on public grounds and buildings returned the petition referred to them December 6th, 1859, of G. H. Linsley to be allowed the privilege of purchasing from the city 20x25 feet of the rear of the lot occupied by Engine Company No. 5 ; also the petition referred to them January 31st, 1860, of James McLaughlin and others to have competition plans for the erection of a City Hall, advertised for, etc : and also the petition of John Davenport and others for the erection without delay of a City Hall on the ground owned by the city, situated on the corner of Newark Avenue and Washington Alley : the committee verbally reporting that the Common Council have taken action on the subject matter of all of said petitions. The petitions were received and ordered filed in the City Clerk's office.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hankins and adopted.

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of the com. on public grounds and buildings for seventy nine dollars, this being the amount paid out for tree and planting the same in and around Van Vorst Square, and the Mayor and City clerk be and are hereby requested to sign the same,

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Tilden and adopted.

Resolved, That the com. on sewers be and they are hereby instructed to advertise for proposals to construct a temporary pipe sewer eighteen inches in diameter from the school house in Bright street, up Bright street to Barrow street, thence along Barrow street to the York street sewer at a cost not to exceed four hundred dollars.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted :

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn in favor of Board of Water Commissioners for amount of sewer assessments due them in hands of city treasurer, provided first however that the comptroller shall certify to the city clerk the amount so due.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and adopted :

Whereas on the 13th March, 1860, a petition of Abraham Hooley, Jr., and Thos. J. Clark, to have cancelled a sale of lot 119 Railroad avenue in block 48 alleged in said petition to have taken place March 23, 1857, but which took place July 29, 1857, for regulating Warren street from Morgan to Montgomery st, and whereas a resolution was passed on the said 13th March, 1860, directing the cancellation of said sale, etc., but which refers to said sale as of March 23, 1857, being the date named in said petition, therefore

Resolved, That the said resolution of March 13, 1860, be taken in all respects to apply to the sale made July 29th, 1857, of Lot 119 Railroad Avenue, in block 48, for the assessment thereon, for regulating Warren street, from Morgan to Montgomery St, no assessment sale having taken place on the 23d of March, 1857.

The following entitled ordinance was presented by Al. Hardenbergh and laid upon the table, viz :

"An ordinance to amend an ordinance to authorize the Jersey City and Bergen Railroad Company to lay a Single track of iron rails in certain streets of Jersey City." Approved December 20th, 1859.

Ald Hankins moved, That the Board do now proceed to fill the vacancies existing in the offices of Elections."

The motion was adopted.

The rule requiring a balloting was suspended, and the following named persons were viva voce unanimously appointed to fill the vacancies :

George H. Haight—Judge of Election for the Third Wm. W. Torrey—Judge of Election for the 1st ward. Ward.

Willard Derby—Clerk of the Fourth Ward.

Benjamin B. Grinnell—Judge of Election for the First Ward.

Samuel A. French—Judge of Election for the Second Ward.

On motion of Ald Hardenbergh it was

Resolved, That a warrant or thirty-one dollars and forty-two cents be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of the Superintendent of Lamps and Lime Kiln, to defray their expenses in going to Trenton in reference to that matter.

On motion of Alderman Thurston the Board then adjourned

JOHN DIX, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.---OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, April 10th, 1860, at 7½ o'clock P.M.

In the absence of the City Clerk on motion of Alderman Tilden, Alderman Hardenbergh was appointed Clerk pro tem.

Present—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Clarke, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Aldermen Brown, Decker and McBride were absent at the calling of the roll, but subsequently appeared and took their seats.

Absent—Ald. Christie, Edge, Hoffman, and McLaughlin.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 3d inst., were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, &c., were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Petition of Nathaniel C. Slaight for Estate of William Isbill, to have cancelled sale of "lot 16 and parts of lots 17 to 20 South 8th street and lot 13 and two houses on Newark avenue," made June 7, 1858, for taxes of 1857 ; the taxes having been previously paid to the collector, &c. Referred to committee on finance.

Petition of James J. Winants, by Jacob Weart, attorney, for privilege to redeem lot No. 63, block No. 48, sold as block No. 38 Steuben street, sold to the city treasurer August 11, 1854, for assessment for filling Warren street from Montgomery street to Morgan st., and lot No. 120 Morgan street, sold September 10, 1857, as lot No. 157 Morgan street, in block No. 50, for assessment for filling Warren street, between Morgan and Montgomery streets, etc.

Referred to Com. on Finance.

Communication from Joseph Dodd, of No. 13 Grand street, calling the attention of the Common Council to the condition of sidewalk in front of lot adjoining his on the west side, etc.

Referred to Com. on Streets with power.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows :

Of Alfred Carson $200 ; Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Co. $80 52 ; William Bumstead & Co $74 73 ; Fredrick Porrett $43 25, and George Quaife & Co. $10 62. Referred to Com. on Fire and Water.

Of Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Co $2,224 23. Referred to Com. on Lamps.

Of Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Co. $86 26. Referred to Com on Public Grounds and Buildings

Of Alexander Arbuckle $2 50.

Referred to Com on Streets.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid :

Of William Bumstead and Co., $8 37, Charles H. Winfield, $8, and W. S. Morton, $1 50.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice appointing places for holding the polls of the Charter Election, etc.

The report was received and ordered filed.

A communication was presented from George H. Bailey, Engineer of the Board of Water Commissioners recommending the construction of a lateral sewer in Bright street from Grove street to Jersey street, etc.

The communication was referred to the committee on sewers.

The committee on finance reported the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sale made by this corporation June 7, 1858, for taxes of 1857, of lot 30 in Morris street in block 17, Mangin's map (designated by street number 38) be cancelled of record by the City Clerk for the reason that said taxes were previously paid to the Collector of taxes for that year, and the same have been paid into the city treasury, and that a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer, in favor of the purchaser John B. Vroom, for the purchase money twenty-two dollars and ninety-six cents, with interest thereon from the date of said sale at the rate of seven per cent per annum, and be delivered to him on his surrendering to the City Clerk for cancelling the declaration of sale of said lot. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on finance reported the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sale made by this corporation June 7, 1858, for taxes of 1857, of lot 9 South 7th street in block 150, Quaife and Otley's map be cancelled of record by the City Clerk for the reason that said taxes were previously paid to the collector of arrears of taxes for that year, and the same have been paid into the city treasury, and that a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of the purchaser John Patten, junior, for the purchase money seven dollars and sixty-five cents, with interest thereon from the date of said sale at the rate of seven per cent per annum and be delivered to him on his surrendering to the City Clerk for cancelling the declaration of sale of said lot. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The com. on streets to whom was referred April 3d, 1860, the petition of R. B. Earle and others to have the carriage way of York street from Warren street to Hudson street, outside of the horse railroad tracks, paved with Belgian pavement, presented a report thereby accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That the com. on streets be and are hereby authorized to advertise for proposals for a contract to pave with Belgian pavement the carriage way of York street from Warren street to Hudson street, on the outside of the horse railroad tracks in said street ; payment to be made in city bonds, payable in five years, with interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum.

The report was received and the resolution adopted, subsequently on motion of Ald Thurston the vote by which the resolution was adopted was reconsidered and the resolution laid upon the table.

The com. on streets to whom was referred April 3d, 1860, the petition of Levi Decker and others to have so much of the ordinance in relation to the laying of rails by the Jersey City and Bergen Horse Railroad Co. as consents to the use of Grove street, between York and Grand street, repealed, and that in lieu thereof the Railroad Company be permitted to lay their rails through the centre of either Jersey or Barrow sts. to York street, etc., presented a report theron setting forth that the committee deem it inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioners as the committee have been informed that the route of said railroad company has recently been established by legislative enactment.

The report was received and adopted.

The committee on streets to whom were referred April 3, 1860, with power to contract with the lowest bidder the proposals (and accompanying bonds) of W. H. Gautier and Co., James F. Fielder, John Coar, and F. J. Mallory, for contract to improve Morgan street from Prospect to Greene street including intersections presented a report thereon, setting forth that they have awarded said contract to W. H. Gautier and Co., they being the lowest bidders and recommending that the bond which accompanied the accepted proposal of W. H. Gautier and Co. be approved and filed with the contractor in the Comptroller's office, and that the bonds which accompany the rejected proposals be returned to the principals named therein The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

Alderman Thurston from the committee on streets presented a bond of arbitration between the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City and Henry Taylor and others in reference to an assessment for the filling in of Steuben street between Prospect and Washington sts., and submitted the following resolution in relation thereto :

Be it resolved that the bond of arbitration between the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City on the first part and Henry Taylor and others of the second part, in reference to an assessment for the filling in of Steuben street between Prospect and Washington sts., be and the same is hereby accepted, and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to affix his signature, and the city clerk to attest the same under the corporation seal. The resolution was adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Ald Hankins

Resolved, That the com. on streets be authorized to advertise for proposals to pave York street with Belgian pavement, east side of the railroad track, from Warren to Henderson streets.

The resolution was adopted—subsequently the vote by which the resolution was adopted was reconsidered by the following vote, the yeas and and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Ald Brown, Decker, Earle, Hardenbergh, McBride, Ogden, Thurston and Warner.

Nays—Ald Clarke, Hankins and Tilden.

Absent—Ald Christie, Edge, Hoffman and McLaughlin.

The resolution was ordered to lie on the table.

The following resolution was offered by Ald Tilden :

Resolved, That the com on streets be and they are hereby instructed to advertise for proposals to lay Belgian pavement in Grove street, from Newark avenue to Pavonia avenue.

The resolution was rejected by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald Warner, Tilden and Thurston :

Yeas—Ald Brown, Thurston and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Ald Clarke, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, Ogden and Warner.

Absent—Ald Christie, Decker, Edge, Hoffman and McLaughlin.

The following resolution was offered by Ald Clarke

and adopted :

Resolved, That the Com on Lamps be and are hereby authorized to have a lamp and post erected in front of the property of Mr. Charles Hall in Jersey ave., near 2d street.

The following resolution was offered by Ald Earle and adopted :

Resolved, That the city clerk be directed to obtain from Trenton a certified copy of such legislative enactments as pertain to this city, and also of the Hoboken Land and Improvement Co.'s bill.

The following resolution was offered by Ald Tilden and adopted :

Resolved, That a resolution passed April 3d, 1860, instructing the com on sewers to advertise for proposals to construct a temporary pipe sewer from school-house in Bright street to Barrow street, up Barrow street to York street and there connect with York street sewer, be and is hereby rescinded.

The following resolution was offered by Ald Tilden and adopted :

Resolved, That the water commissioners be and they are hereby instructed to construct a lateral sewer in Bright street from Barrow street, to connect with sewer in Grove street.

The following resolution was offered by Ald Tilden and adopted :

Resolved, That a special com of three be appointed to procure official emblems from the die owned by the city in the city clerk's office, for the aldermen who have not already received them.

On motion of Ald Hardenbergh it was

Resolved, That a warrant for ten dollars be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of the special com on shore line bill to defray their expenses in going to Trenton in reference to that matter.

On motion of Ald Thurston the following entitled ordinance, presented March 20th, 1860, and laid upon the table, was taken up for consideration, viz :

"An ordinance to provide for resetting the curb and gutters, refilling and flagging the sidewalks four feet wide in front of certain lots on the south side of Essex street between Hudson and Greene streets."

The ordinance was passed by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Ald Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald Christie, Edge, Hoffman and McLaughlin.

On motion of Ald Thurston it was

Resolved That the com on streets be instructed to advertise for proposals for contract to make the improvement named in the ordinance entitled "An ordinance to provide for resetting the curb and gutters, refilling and flagging the sidewalks four feet wide in front of certain lots on the south side of Essex street, between Hudson and Greene streets."

On motion of Ald Thurston the following entitled ordinance presented March 20th, 1860, and laid upon the table was taken up for consideration, viz :

"An ordinance to provide for filling in the sidewalks and repairing the flagging on the same, of certain lots on the north side of Essex street, between Hudson and Greene streets."

The ordinance was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Ald Brown, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald Christie, Edge, Hoffman and McLaughlin.

On motion of Alderman Thurston it was

Resolved, that the Committee on Sts., be instructed to advertise for proposals for contract to make the improvement named in the ordinance entitled "An ordinance to provide for filling in the side walks and repairing the flagging on the same of certain lots on the north side of Essex street between Hudson and Greene streets.

On motion of Alderman Warner it was

Resolved, That the Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings be instructed to report what lots can be purchased for the purpose of erecting thereon a public school house for colored children.

On motion of Alderman Thurston, the Board then adjourned.

A. A. HARDENBERGH,
Clerk pro-tem.

Jersey City Charter Election—Proceedings of the Board of Canvassers.

In compliance with the provisions of the charter of Jersey City, the Board of City Canvassers met at the Common Council Chamber, on Friday the thirteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty, at five o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of canvassing the returns of the charter election, held on Tuesday the tenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty.

The board was called to order by the City Clerk.

I resent—Aldermen Christie, Decker, Edge, Hardenbergh, Ogden add Warner; and George W. Cassedy, city clerk.

The following named judges of election from the several wards of the city, appeared and took their seats as members of the board, viz.:

Phineas C. Dummer, from the 1st ward.

John G. Haybeck, from the 2d ward.

Barton T. Bodine, from the 3d ward.

Lincoln Bates, from the 4th ward.

Aldermen Hankins and Hoffman were absent from the meeting.

On motion of Mr. Dummer, Alderman Hardenbergh was appointed chairman of the board.

The chairman administered to each of the other members of the board, and to the city clerk, the oaths required of them by the city charter, and Mr. Dummer administered to the chairman of the board the oath required of him by the city charter.

Whereupon the judges of election produced the original statements which had been delivered to them respectively, and laid the same before the board.

The returns were read. The statement from the 4th ward having been read and found inaccurate, was, on motion of Mr. Haybeck, referred back to the judges of election in the 4th ward for correction; subsequently the said statement corrected by the said judges was again presented to the board, and, with the statements from the 1st, 2d and 3d wards, received.

The board then proceeded to ascertain from the said original statements the votes given at the charter election on the 10th instant, for the persons voted for thereat for the several offices mentioned in such statements.

The board then made a written statement of the whole number of votes given for the officers elected for the city and the several wards thereof, together with the names of the persons for whom such votes were given, and the number of votes given for each, as required by the provisions of the city charter.

On motion of Mr. Haybeck it was

Resolved, That the votes cast for Corneil Van Vorst, Cornelus Van Vorst, Corneles Van Vorst, Cornelis Van Vorst and C. Van Vorst, for mayor, be given to Cornelius Van Vorst, as they were evidently intended for him; and that the votes cast for Charles Winfield and C. H. Winfield, for Mayor, be given to Charles H. Winfield, as they ware evidently intended for him.

The statement from the 4th ward, setting forth the name of William Nafew as the candidate for alderman, on motion of Mr. Haybeck, Mr. John A. Topping, who acted as one of the judges of election in that ward, was permitted to make an explanation to the board. Whereupon Mr Topping stated that the two hundred and ninety-nine votes returned as cast for William Nafew for alderman, were actually cast for William H. Nafew, and the ballots so read, and that the statement presented to the board of canvassers was inaccurate in omitting the middle letter from Mr Nafew's name.

On motion of Alderman Edge it was

Resolved, That the votes set forth in the statement from the 4th ward, as having been cast for William Nafew for alderman, be given to William H Nafew, as it has been satisfactorily shown to this board that the ballots contained the name William H Nafew, and the omission of the middle letter (H) from Mr Nafew's name is evidently a clerical error on the part of the officers of election in making up their written statement; and that William H Nafew be declared elected an alderman from the 4th ward.

On motion of Mr Bates it was

Resolved, That the votes cast in the 4th ward for Daniel Soule, for surveyor of highways, be given to Daniel E Soule, for whom they were evidently intended.

The board then proceeded upon the above mentioned statement, so made by them, to determine, and they declared what person or persons had received the highest number of votes for each of the offices mentioned in such statement; which statement and final declaration of the board of canvassers was, on motion of Alderman Christie, ordered to be certified by the chairman and clerk of the board, and to be filed in the city clerk's office.

Mr Bodine moved

"That the vote be reconsidered by which William H Nafew was declared elected an alderman from the 4th ward"

The motion to reconsider was rejected. The vote being as follows, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yea—Mr. Bodine.

Nays—Aldermen Christie, Decker, Edge, Hardenberg, Ogden, Warner, and Messrs. Bates, Dummer and Haybeck.

On motion of Alderman Christie it was

Resolved, That the statement and final declaration made by this board of city canvassers of the result of the charter election, held in Jersey City on Tuesday the tenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty, be published in both of the newspapers of said city.

On motion of Alderman Edge it was

Resolved, That the chairman and clerk of this board be directed to make out the claim of its members for their services as city canvassers, and present the same to the common council for payment.

On motion of Alderman Warner the board of city canvassers then adjourned sine die.

GEO. W. CASSEDY.
Clerk of the Board of City Canvassers.

A statement of the result of an election held in Jersey City, in the County of Hudson, and State of New Jersey, on Tuesday, the tenth day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty, to elect City and Ward Officers, made by the Board of City Canvassers for said city

Whole number of votes cast in the First Ward, four hundred seventy-two (472)

Whole number of votes cast in the Second Ward:five hundred twenty-four (524)

Whole number of votes cast in the Third Ward,eight hundred sixty-five [865]

Whole number of votes cast in the Fourth Ward, eight hundred thirty-four (834)

Whole number of votes cast in the city, two thousand six hundred and ninety-five (2695)

Number of ballots rejected in the First Ward three (3)

Number of ballots rejected in the Second Ward three (3)

Number of ballots rejected in the Third Ward five (5)

Number of ballots rejected in the Fourth Ward two (2)

Whole number of ballots rejected in the city thirteen (13)

FOR CITY OFFICERS.

For Mayor.

Cornelius Van Vorst received in the First Ward two hundred and seventy eight (278) votes

Cornelius Van Vorst received in the Second Ward one hundred and ninety (190) votes

Cornelius Van Vorst received in the Third Ward five hundred and fifty-seven (557) votes

Cornelius VanVorst received in the fourth ward three hundred and ninety-six 396 votes

Total fourteen hundred and twenty-one (1421) votes

Charles H. Winfield received in the First Ward one hundred and eighty-two (182) votes

Charles H. Winfield received in the Second Ward three hundred and twenty-four (324) votes

Charles H. Winfield received in the Third Ward two hundred and seventy six (276) votes

Charles H. Winfield received in the Fourth Ward three hundred and thirty-six (336) votes

Total eleven hundred and eighteen (1118) votes

David S. Manners received in the first ward four (4) votes

David Nichols received in the first ward one (1) vote

Sam Haines received in the first ward one (1) vote

Corneil VanVorst received in the second ward one (1) vote

Charles Winfield received in the second ward one (1) vote

Charles F.Durant received in the second ward one(1) vote

Cornelus Van Vorst received in the third ward three (3) votes

Corneles Van Vorst received in the third ward one(1) vote

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Corneli Van Vost received in the third ward two (2) votes

Cornell Van Vorst received in the third ward one (1) vote
C Van Vorst received in the third ward six (6) votes
Charles Winfield received in the third ward three (3) votes
C. H. Winfield received in the third ward three (3) votes
Charles Wingfield received in the third ward one (1) vote.
Charles Windfield received in the third ward one (1) vote
David S. Manners received in the third ward two (2) votes
Manners received in the third ward one (1) vote
David S. Manners received in the fourth ward ninety six (96) votes
Total scattering votes one hundred and thirty-seven 137

For Water Commissioner.

Jacob R. Wortendyke received in the first ward one hundred and ninety-one (191) votes
Jacob R. Wortendyke received in the second ward three hundred and thirty-eight (338) votes
Jacob R. Wortendyke received in the third ward four hundred and twenty (420) votes
Jacob R. Wortendyke received in the fourth ward five hundred and seven (507) votes
Total fourteen hundred and fifty-six [1456] votes
Charles S. Jenkins received in the 1st ward two hundred and seventy-four [274] votes
Charles S. Jenkins received in the 2nd ward one hundred and seventy-one [171] votes
Charles S. Jenkins received in the 3d ward four hundred and forty-five [445] votes
Charles S. Jenkins received in the 4th ward three hundred and one [301] votes
Total eleven hundred and ninety-one [1191] votes
Sacob R. Wortendyke received in the 2d ward one [1] vote
Jacob R. Wotendyke received in the 2d ward three [3] votes
B. O. Edge received in the 2d ward one [1] vote
John Wanner received in the 2d ward one [1] vote
Francis Hill received in the 2d ward one [1] vote
J. R. Wortendyke received in the 3d ward one [1] vote
Jacob R. Werdendyk received in the 3d ward one [1] vote
Charles F. Durant received in the 2d ward one [1] vote
Total scattering votes ten [10]

For Water Commissioner (to fill the unexpired term of Charles Fink).

Benjamin O. Edge received in the 1st ward two hundred and eighty-seven [287] votes
Benjamin O. Edge received in the 2d ward one hundred and seventy-four [174] votes
Benjamin O. Edge received in the 3d ward four hundred and sixty-two 462 votes
Benjamin O. Edge received in the 4th ward five hundred and twenty-three [523] votes
Total fourteen hundred and forty-six [1446] votes.
John Shields received in the 1st ward one hundred and sixty-six [166] votes
John Shields received in the 2d ward three hundred and twenty-eight [328] votes
John Shields received in the 3d ward three hundred and ninety-nine [399] votes
John Shields received in the 4th ward three hundred and one [301] votes
Total eleven hundred and ninety-four [1194] votes
J. R. Wortendyke received in the 1st ward three [3] votes
John Toodles received in the 1st ward one [1] vote
Charles Fink received in the 4th ward one [1] vote
Total scattering votes five [5]

For School Superintendent.

Abram S. Jewell received in the 1st ward four hundred and and fifty-seven [457] votes
Abram S. Jewell received in the 2d ward five hundred and nine [509] votes
Abram S. Jewell received in the 3d ward eight hundred and thirty-five [835] votes
Abram S. Jewell received in the 4th ward eight hundred and thirteen [813] votes
Total two thousand six hundred and fourteen [2614] votes
Joe McManus received in the 1st ward one [1] vote
Charley Reynolds received in the 1st ward one [1] vote
Charles F. Durant received in the 2d ward one [1] vote
A. W. Marinus received in the 2d ward one [1] vote
Daniel Dickinson received in the 2d ward one [1] vote
Joseph McCoy received in the 3d ward one [1] vote
Daniel Danbery received in the 3d ward one [1] vote
N. C. Sleight received in the 3d ward one [1] vote
Wm. L. Dickenson received in the 3d ward one (1) vote
Total scattering votes nine (9)

For Assessors.

James Flemming received in the 1st ward two hundred and eighty-three (283) votes.
James Flemming received in the 2d ward one hundred and seventy-four (174) votes.
James Flemming received in the 3d ward four hundred and forty-two (442) votes.
James Flemming received in the 4th ward three hundred and eight 308 votes.
Total twelve hundred and seven (1207) votes.
Lewis M. DeCamp received in the 1st ward one hundred and sixty-nine (169) votes.
Lewis M. DeCamp received in the 2d ward three hundred and thirty-five (335) votes.
Lewis M. DeCamp received in the 3d ward three hundred and ninety-nine (399) votes.
Lewis M. DeCamp received in the 4th ward five hundred and twelve (512) votes.
Total fourteen hundred and fifteen (1415) votes.
William R. Drayton received in the 1st ward two hundred and forty-six (246) votes.
William R. Drayton received in the 2d ward one hundred and seventy-five (175) votes.
William R. Drayton received in the 3d ward four hundred and thirty four (434) votes.
William R. Drayton received in the 4th ward three hundred and four (304) votes
Total eleven hundred and fifty-nine (1159) votes.
Smith Mead received in the 1st ward two hundred (200) votes.
Smith Mead received in the 2d ward three hundred and thirty-seven (337) votes.
Smith Mead received in the 3d ward three hundred and ninety-five (395) votes.
Smith Mead received in the 4th ward five hundred and thirteen (513) votes.
Total fourteen hundred and forty-five (1445) votes.
L M. Deamp received in the 1st ward five (5) votes.
Wm. R. Drayton received in the 1st ward thirteen (13) votes.
L M DeCamp received in the 2d ward 1 (one) vote.
Charles F. Durant received in the 2d ward one (1) vote.
Louis M. DeCamp received in the 3d ward one (1) vote.
Schmid Mead received in the 3d ward one (1) vote
L. M. DeCamp received in the 3d ward one (1) vote.
Wm H. Seward received in the 3d ward one (1) vote.
Stephen Quaif received in the 4th ward one (1) vote.
Total scattering votes twenty-five (25).

For Collector.

Francis R Hill received in the 1st ward two hundred and one (201) votes.
Francis R Hill received in the 2d ward one hundred and fifty-four (154) votes.
Francis R Hill received in the 3d ward three hundred and thirteen [313] votes.
Francis R Hill received in the 4th ward three hundred and twenty-eight (328) votes.
Total nine hundred and ninety-six (996) votes.
Henry L Richards received in the 1st ward one hundred and fifty-five (155) votes.
Henry L Richards received in the 2d ward two hundred and ninety-eight (298) votes.
Henry L Richards received in the 3d ward three hundred and thirty-seven (337) votes.
Henry L Richards received in the 4th ward two hundred and seventy-four (274) votes.
Total ten hundred and sixty-four (1064) votes.
John B Haight received in the 1st ward one hundred and six (106) votes.
John B. Haight received in the 2d ward fifty-eight (58) votes.
John B Haight received in the 3d ward one hundred and eighty-one (181) votes.
John B Haight received in the 4th ward two hundred and eighteen (218) votes.
Total five hundred and sixty-three 563 votes.
Haight received in the 2d ward one (1) vote.
F R Hill received in the 2d ward one (1) vote.
Charles F Durant received in the 2d ward one (1) vote.
H L Richards received in the 3d ward two (2) votes.
Henary A Richards received in the 3d ward one (1) vote.
Henary S. Richards received in the 3d ward one (1) vote.
John B Haigh received in the 3d ward two (2) votes.
J B Haight received in the 3d ward six (6) votes.
John B Haigth received in the 3d ward one (1) vote.
John Haight received in the 3d ward one (1) vote.
John B Heigh received in the third ward one 1 vote
Total scattering votes eighteen (18) votes.

FOR WARD OFFICERS.

First Ward.—For Aldermen.

William Clarke received four hundred and sixty [460] votes

Thomas Earle received four hundred and forty-two [442] votes

Theodore F. Randolph received four [4] votes

James Buchanan received one [1] vote

Stephen W. Treadwell received one [1] vote

William Taylor, Esq., received one [1] vote

Mickey Free received one [1] vote

For Chosen Freeholder.

A. I. Fitch received two hundred and ninety-six [296] votes

William Thomas received one hundred and sixty-three [163] votes

James F. Fielder received one [1] vote

Horace Greeley received one [1] vote

Mickey Free received one [1] vote

For Commissioner of Appeals.

Phineas C. Dummer received two hundred and eighty-four [284] votes

John W. Schank received one hundred and sixty-nine [169] votes

Henry L. Richard received one [1] vote

John S. Schank received four [4] votes

For Judges of Election.

Phineas C. Dummer received two hundred and twenty-eight [228] votes

Luke C. Lyman received two hundred and twenty-two [222] votes

William R. Gautier received two hundred and twenty-five [225] votes

James McKinley received one hundred and sixty-three [163] votes

Thomas McWilliams received one hundred and seventy-one [171] votes

Charles Somers received one hundred and sixty-six [166] votes

P. C. Dummer received sixty-three [63] votes

L. C. Lyman received sixty-five [65] votes

W. R. Gautier received sixty-five [65] votes

Prop Reynolds, the dung man, received one [1] vote

For Ward Clerk.

David W. Stone received two hundred and seventy-nine [279] votes

James R. Tilley received one hundred and seventy-five [175] votes

For Constable.

Chancellor W. Chase received two hundred and ninety-six [296] votes

Michael Lee received one hundred and sixty [160] votes

For Surveyors of Highways.

Charles K. Dusenbury received two hundred and eighty-six [286] votes

Horatio Reed received two hundred and ninety [290] votes

Christopher Matthews received one hundred and sixty-three [163] votes

Rooney Reed received one hundred and sixty-three [163] votes

B. Gregory received one [1] vote

Henry Steele received one [1] vote

I. Van Saun received one [1] vote

George Cadwell received one [1] vote

Benjamin Gregory received one [1] vote

For Justice of the Peace.

Robert B. Earle received two hundred and eighty [280] votes

Alexander McMillin received one hundred and thirty-eight [138] votes

William L. Dickinson received one [1] vote

George E. Cutter received one [1] vote

For Pound Keeper.

John Y. Smith received two hundred and seventy-eight [278] votes

John Fallon received one hundred and sixty-two [162] votes

Ralph D. Earle received one [1] vote.

William T. Rodgers, junior, received one [1] vote

Frank J. Vanderbeek received four [4] votes

Charles McConn received one [1] vote

Dennis Farrell received one [1] vote

Dr. Cornelius Zabriskie received one [1] vote

Ye Pooty Doi received one (1) vote

Peter Cudy received one (1) vote

Rev. J. Kelly received one [1] vote

Frederick B. Betty received one [1] vote

Captain Grain received one [1] vote

Second Ward.—For Aldermen

William R. Brown received two hundred and forty-one [241] votes

John McBride received three hundred and twenty-two [322] votes

Job Male received one hundred and eighty-four [184] votes

Isaac Edge received two hundred and sixty-three [263] votes

Joseph M. Brown received one [1] vote

J Mell received one [1] vote

W. R. Brown received two [2] votes

J. Mole received one [1] vote

William Clark received one 1 vote

Thomas Earle received one [1] vote

Charles Keenan received one [1] vote

For Chosen Freeholder.

James Lynch received three hundred and thirteen [313] votes

Alexander Wilson received one hundred and eighty-two [182] votes

Daniel Thomas received one [1] vote

A Wilson received one [1] vote

C. Spengeman received one [1] vote

W. L. Broking received one [1] vote

For Commissioner of Appeals

Patrick Coyle received three hundred and eighteen votes [318] votes

Joseph Young received one hundred and ninety-one [191] votes

Charles F. Durant received one [1] vote

John Muller received one [1] vote

John M. Scheuck received one [1] vote

For Judges of Election

John Wilson received three hundred and thirteen [313] votes

William H. Nolan received two hundred and thirty [230] votes

Michael Malone received three hundred and seven [307] votes

William Anness received one hundred and eighty-seven [187] votes.

John G. Haybeck received one hundred and seventy-nine [179] votes.

William Lear received one hundred and eighty-four [184] votes.

Samuel C. McLaughlin received ninety [90] votes.

James McKinly received [1] one vote.

Thomas McWilliams received one [1] vote.

Charles Somers received [1] vote.

Bernard McAnnally received [1] vote.

John McCarty received [1] vote.

Phileman D. Haight received [1] one vote.

W. H. Nolan received [2] votes.

W. H. Holden received [1] vote.

Pat Lee received one [1] vote.

Benjm. Haynes received [1] vote.

Wm. Lear received one [1] vote.

Matthew Erwin received four [4] votes.

James Fleming received four [4] votes.

John G. received one [1] vote.

For Ward Clerk.

Robert P. Dixon received two hundred and eighty-one [281] votes.

Adrian B. Reynolds received one hundred and eighty [180] votes.

Robert H. Dixon received forty-one [41] votes.

Robert B. Coar received one [1] vote.

James R. Riley received one [1] vote.

For Constable.

Dennis Farrell received four hundred and ninety-two (492) votes.

Michael Lee received one (1) vote.

Christopher Matthews received one [1] vote.

Roney Read received one [1] vote.

Bernard McAnnally received one (1 vote.

Johnson Durant received two 2 votes.

John G Haybeck received one (1) vote.

Albert Metz received one (1) vote.

Walter Lamb received one (1) vote.

Thomas R Poster received one (1) vote.

For Surveyors of Highways.

George Dowd received three hundred and nine (509) votes.

Michael Smith received three hundred and nine (309) votes.

John Drayton received one hundred and eighty-nine (189) votes.

Moritz Gerson received one hundred and eighty-three (183) votes.

George Dodd received six 6 (votes).

William Murtagh received one (1) vote.

John Coar received one (1) vote.

For Justice of the Peace.

George A. Cutter received two hundred and one (201) votes.

John Cowen received two hundred and forty-four (244) votes.

Alexander McMullin received one (1) vote.

James R Thomas received one (1) vote.

William C. Morris received one (1) vote.
Robert B Earle received one (1) vote.
Michael Malone received one (1) vote.
Justice Slater received one (1) vote.
Laughing Jack received one (1) vote.
Peter N Horsley received one (1) vote.
William Startup received one (1) vote.
Leonard Caun received one (1) vote.
Charles F Durant received one (1) vote.

For Pound Keeper.

John Y Smith received two hundred and ninety-five (295) votes.
William B Salmon received one hundred and ninety-one (191) votes.
Smith Mc I received two (2) votes.
Layman Nathan received two (2) votes.
Noah Taylor received one [1] vote.
Father Kelly received one [1] vote.
Nelson Barrin received one [1] vote.
Henry Scimpspoon received one (1) vote.
Mike the Tinker received one [1] vote.
John Hunt received two [2] votes.
Alexander Love received one [1] vote.
George E Cutter received one [1] vote.
Samuel L Nathan received one [1] vote.
William H Seward N Y received one [1] vote.
Jacob Sobin received one [1] vote.
Henry White received one [1[vote.
C F Durant received one [1] vote.
John Fallon received one [1] vote.

THIRD WARD.

For Aldermen.

Hosea F Clark received four hundred and fifty-four [454] votes.
Rufus K Terry received four hundred and fifty-eight [458] votes,
Joseph M Brown received three hundred and ninety-five 395 votes.
Charles Keenan received three hundred and ninety-eight [398] votes.
Rufus K Terry received one [1] vote
C Keenan received one [1] vote
William R Brown received two [2] votes.
John McBride received two [2] votes.
William H Nafew received one [1] vote
John B Romar received one [1] vote.

For Chosen Freeholder.

James F Fielder received four hundred and ninety-one [491] votes.
William L Broking received three hundred and forty-eight [348 votes,
James Fielder received two [2] votes.
James S Fielder received one [1] vote.
Sandy Love received one [1] vote.
Wm L Broking received one [1] vote.
Broking received one [1] vote.
James Lynch received one [1] vote.
John Boyce received one [1] vote

For Commissioner of Appeals.

John Chilver received four hundred and seventy-one [471] votes
John Mullen received three hundred and sixty-seven [367] votes
Patrick Coyle received one [1] vote
William C. Traphagen received one [1] vote

For Judges of Eleetion.

Stephen Quaife received four hundred and sixty-six [466] votes
William H. Bamsted received four hundred and fifty-six [456] votes
John Metz received four hundred and seventy-eight [478] votes
Bernard McGuigan received three hundred and eighty [380] votes
John McCarty received three hundred and sixty-nine [369] votes
Philemon D. Haight received four hundred and one (401] votes
W. H. Bumsted received one [1] vote
John Wilson received two [2] votes
Michael Malone received two [2] votes
William H. Nolan received two [2] votes
John E. Topping received one [1] vote
Walter Van Derzee received one [1] vote
Thomas Farlee received one [1] vote
Thomas Potter received one [1] vote
Charles Fink received one [1] vote

For Ward Clerk.

Frederick P. Budden received four hundred and fifty-five [455] votes
Robert B. Coar received three hundred and fifty-four [354] votes
Thomas Green received four (4) votes
Thomas G. Greene received two (2) votet
Robert P. Dixon received one (1) vote
Robert P. Dickson received one (1) vote
Lloyd Garrison received one (1) vote
Cornelius T. Frazyer received one (1) vote
Michael Kennedy received one (1) vote
George Quaife received one (1) vote

For Constable.

William D. Sloan received three hundred and ninety-four (394) votes
Bernard McAnally received three hundred and seventy-two (372) votes
Philo Snow received sixty-three (63) votes
Bernt McNaley received one (1) vote
Dennis Farrell received two (2) votes
George Whitlock received one (1) vote

For Surveyors of Highways.

Isaac Van Saun received four hundred and sixty-seven (467) votes
George S. Appleton received four hundred and sixty-eight (468) votes
William Murtagh received three hundred and eighty-two (382) votes
John Coar received three hundred and sixty seven (367) votes
George Dodd received two (2) votes
Michael Smith received two (2) votes
Nehemiah Knapp received eighteen (18) votes
Patrick Riley received one (1) vote
Edward Goff received one (1) vote

For Justices of the Peace.

William L. Dickenson received four hundred and sixty-seven (467) votes
William C. Morris received four hundred and eighty-two (482) votes
Thomas T. Lacy received four hundred and fifty-three (453) votes
Peter N. Horsley received three hundred and ninety (390) votes
William Startup received three hundred and seventy-five (375) votes
Leonard Baum received three hundred and eighty-one (381) votes
W. C. Morris received one (1) vote
Martin L. Baum received four (4) votes
Charles A. Griglietti received one (1) vote
George E. Cutter received one (1) vote
Henry White received two (2) votes

For Pound Keeper.

Henry C. Smith received four hundred and one (401) votes
Henry White received three hundred and thirty-one (331) votes
Peter Doren received fifty-four (54) votes
Dudley S. Gregory received one 1 vote.
Johnson Hunt received one 1 vote.
Abraham S. Jewel received one 1 vote.
Richard Sheridan received one 1 vote.
C. H. Winfield received one 1 vote.
Henry Ward Beecher received one 1 vote.
John Y. Smith received one 1 vote.

FOURTH WARD.

For Aldermen.

William Nafew received two hundred and ninety-nine 299 votes.
John B. Romar received three hundred and twenty three 323 votes.
Stephen B Ransom received two hundred and seventy seven 277 votes.
Seneca Alger received two hundred and ninety-three 293 votes.
Joseph Van Doran received two hundred and fourteen 214 votes.
Ephraim Pray received two hundred and thirty-three 233 votes.
S. Tyrrell received one 1 vote
Joseph M. Brown received two 2 votes.
Charles Keenan received two 2 votes.
David Jones received one 1 vote.
Hosea F. Clark received one 1 vote.
Rufus K. Terry received one 1 vote.

For Chosen Freeholder.

Harvey M. Soule received two hundred and twenty-four 224 votes.
Elison E. Duncan received three hundred and eighty one 381 votes.
John M. Boyce received two hundred and eleven 211 votes.
James Fielder received two 2 votes.
E. E. Duncan received one 1 vote.
W. L. Broking received two 2 votes.
John Duncan received five 5 votes.
H. M. Soule received one 1 vote.
Pat Finnigan received one 1 vote.
Daniel M. Soule received one 1 vote.

For Commissioner of Appeals.

William C. Traphagen received three hundred and six 306 votes.
John J. Bouton received two hundred and eighty-five

285 votes.
Daniel Fielding received two hundred and seventeen 217 votes.
John Mullen received one 1 vote.
John Chilver received three 3 votes.
W. Traphagen received two 2 votes.

For Judges of Election.

Sylvester Kearney received two hundred and ninety-nine 299 votes.
James Hughes received three hundred and one 301 votes.
George Warren received three hundred and one 301 votes.
Thomas Farley received three hundred 300 votes.
Walter Van Dorice received three hundred and seven 307 votes.
John A. Topping received three hundred and seven 307 votes.
Peter N. Kline received two hundred and two 202 votes
Joshua French received two hundred and fifteen 215 votes
M. Duke Tilden received two hundred and nine 209 votes.
I. Brophy received one 1 vote
Wm. Howeth received one 1 vote
W. Bumstead received three 3 votes
Philemon D. Haight received one 1 vote
Stephen Quaife received three votes
John McCarty received two 2 votes

For Ward Clerk.

James A. Robertson received three hundred and nine 309 votes
Cornelius T. Frazyer received three hundred 300 votes.
William M. Beach receive two hundred and twelve 212 votes
George Warren received two 2 votes
F. P. Budden received two 2 votes
I. A. Robertson received one 1 vote

For Constable.

Nicholas Rommel received five hundred and six 506 votes
George Whitlock received three hundred and ten 310 votes.
W D Sloan received one [1] vote.
B McAnnally received one [1] vote
Geo Whitlock received one [on.] vote.

For Surveyors of Highways.

Bernard Hughs received five hundred and ten [510] votes.
Daniel E Soule received two hundred and thirty-six [2 6] votes.
Daniel Soule received two hundred and ninety-four [294] votes
Patrick Riley received three hundred and four [301] votes
Edward Gough received two hundred and eighty-six (286) votes
I Van Saun received one (1) vote
Geo S Appleton received two (2) votes.
Wm Martin received one (1) vote
Henry Soule received one [1] vote.

For Justice of the Peace.

Thomas E Tilden received two hundred and thirteen [213] votes.
Charles A Grigeletti received three hundred and three (303) votes.
Thomas S Lacy received two [2] votes.
W C Morris received two [2] votes
W L Decker received two 2 votes
J J Bouton received two [2] votes
John Metz received one (1) vote
Leonard Baum received one [1] vote
P N Horsley received one (1) vote
William Startup received one (1) vote
Chas Grigletta received (1) vote
P I Nafew received one (1) vote

For Pound Keeper,

Peter Waggoner received five hundred and twenty-nine (529) votes
Richard Sherridan received two hundred and sixty-nine [269] votes
S B Ransom received one 1 vote
H C Smith received one 1 vote
Henry White received one 1 vote
Chas A Winfield received one 1 vote

We do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, full and correct statement of the result of the election above mentioned as the same is exhibited by the statements produced and laid before the Board of City Canvassers according to law; and that the same exhibits the number of the names of the voters on the poll books of the wards respectively, and of the ballots rejected; the whole number of the names of the voters in the poll books of the several wards; the name of each person for whom any vote or votes were given; the number of votes given for each person in each ward, and the whole number of votes given for each person for each office designated for him, as they appear by the statements so produced and laid before the Board.

In witness we have hereunto set our hands this thirteenth day of April, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and sixty,

A. A. HARDENBERGH,
Chairman of Board of City Canvassers.

GEO. W. CASSEDY,
Clerk of Board of City Canvasser.

A STATEMENT of the determination of the Board of City Canvassers relative to an election held in Jersey City, in the County of Hudson and State of New Jersey, on the tenth (10th) day of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty (1860), for the election of a Mayor, a Water Commissioner, a Water Commissioner to fill the unexpired term of Charles Fink, resigned; a School Superintendent, a Collestor and two Assessors for the said city; and of two Aldermen, one Chosen Freeholder, one Commissioner of Appeals, three Judges of Election, two Surveyors of the Highways, one Ward Clerk, one Constable, and one Pound Keeper for each of the several Wards in the said City.

The said board do determine and declare that at the said election the following named persons, having received the highest number of votes for each of the offices above mentioned, were duly elected to the following named offices:

CITY OFFICERS.

Mayor—CORNELIUS VAN VORST.

Water Commissioner—JACOB R. WORTENDYKE.

Water Commissioner to fill the unexpired term of Charles Fink—BENJAMIN O. EDGE

School Superintendent—ABRAM S. JEWELL

Collector—HENRY L. RICHARDS.

Assessors—LEWIS M. DE CAMP and SMITH MEAD.

FIRST WARD OFFICERS.

Aldermen—William Clarke and Thomas Earle.

Chosen Freeholder—A. I. Fitch

Commissioner of Appeals—Phineas C. Dummer.

Judges of Election—Phineas C. Dummer, Luke C. Lyman and William R. Gautier.

Ward Clerk—David W. Stone.

Constable—Chancellor W. Chase.

Surveyor of the Highways—Charles K. Dusenbury and Horatio Reed.

Pound Keeper—John Y. Smith.

SECOND WARD OFFICERS.

Aldermen—John McBride and Isaac Edge.

Chosen Freeholder—James Lynch.

Commissioner of Appeals—Patrick Coyle.

Judges of Election—John Wilson, William H. Nolan and Michael Malone.

Ward Clerk—Robert P. Dixon.

Constable—Dennis Farrell.

Surveyors of the Highways—George Dowd and Michael Smith.

Pound Keeper—John Y. Smith.

THIRD WARD OFFICERS.

Aldermen—Hosea F. Clark and Rufus K. Terry.

Chosen Freeholder—James F. Fielder.

Commissioner of Appeals—John Chilver.

Judges of Election—Stephen Quaife, William H. Bumsted and John Metz.

Ward Clerk—Frederick P. Budden.

Constable—William D. Sloan.

Surveyors of the Highway—Isaac Van Saun and George S. Appleton.

Pound Keeper—Henry C. Smith.

FOURTH WARD OFFICERS.

Aldermen—William H. Nafew and John B. Romar.

Chosen Freeholder—Elison E. Duncan.

Commissioner of Appeals—William C. Traphagen.

Judges of Election—Walter Van Derzee and John A. Topping.

James Hughes and George Warren received an equal number of votes, and in compliance with the City Charter, the Common Council of Jersey City must determine between them.

Ward Clerk—James Robertson.

Constable—Nathaniel Rommel.

Surveyors of the Highways—Bernard Hughs and Daniel E. Soule.

Pound Keeper—Peter Waggoner.

We do certify that the forgoing is a true, full and correct statement of the determination of the Board of City Canvassers therein mentioned.

In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands this thirteenth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty.

A. A. HARDENBERGH:
Chairman of Board of City Canvassers.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, Clerk of Board of City Canvassers.

COMMON COUNCIL.—OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday, April 17th, 1860, at 7½ o'clock P.M.

Present—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Clarke, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Ald. Christie, Decker and McLaughlin.

Alderman Brown was absent at the calling of the roll, but subsequently appeared and took his seat.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 10th inst. were read and approved.

A communication was presented from Latimer Bros. and Seymour, addressed to the chairman of the com on finance in answer to an inquiry whether any impressions have been taken from the stone in their possession, belonging to the city, for any purpose other than that connected with the Jersey City coupon bonds; the communication stating that there has not been, and there will not be any impressions taken unless by direction of the proper authorities. &c.

The communication was received and ordered filed.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Of George Quaife & Co. $28 50; William Powell $21 79; Samuel Hetherington $13 74 and $11 75; Annesss and Stephenson $9 43; and Samuel D. Ellis $5.

Referred to Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of John Wilson $489 98; P. J. Mallory $124 48; Jeremiah Casey $47 36; I. B. & D. E. Culver $21 50 & $12 50; Benjamin Mills $7 50; I. B. & D. E. Culver $5; and Alexander Love $3 75.

Refered to Com. on Streets.

Of Alexander M C Smith $235 13; Thomas Howe $11 42; Samuel Hetherington $6 24 and 50 cents; and William Bumsted & Co $1 67.

Referred to Com on Fire and Water.

Of William B Dunning $200; and Hughes & Piaget $2 50.

Referred to Com on Salaries, Offices and Elections.

Of William B Dunning $12 25.

Referred to Com on Finance.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz.:

Of board of city canvassers $40; officers of election 1st ward $36; officers of election 2d ward $36; officers of election 3d ward $52 12; officers of election 4th ward $51; John Wilson $62 17; Stephen Garretson $36 34; Isaac S Miller $25 23; Annesss & Stephenson $6 50; James S Noyes $311 67; Nathaniel Ellis $125; Samuel A French $100; George W Cassedy $500 and $100; William Whitley $150; P M Senderling, M.D., $50; and Samuel Cassedy 15 63.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid:

Of Adrian B Reynolds $219 38; Alfred Carson $200; Jersey City & Hoboken Gas Light Co. $86 26 and $80 52; William Bumsted & Co $74 73; Alexander Love $67 45; Mynard Sharp $85 65; Stephen Quaife $98 50; Thomas Martin $56 46; William Bumsted & Co $50; J F Richardson $23 50; Alexander Love $20; Japhet Jardine $17 95; S C McLaughlin $16 30; George Quaife & Co $10 62; J M Clark $3 50; Alexander Arbuckle $2 50; Michael Hall $2 50; and S A French $1.

A claim of Frederick Perratt, amounting to $43 25, for repairs for fire department, presented and referred to the committee on fire and water, April 10, 1860, was reported correct by said committee for $43 38, and that amount was ordered paid.

The following requisition was presented from the Board of Education.

To the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City:

At a meeting of the Board of Education held Monday evening, April 16, 1860, it was

Resolved by the votes of all members present, the yeas and nays being taken,

That requisition be made upon the Common Council for the payment of the following claims.

For teachers salaries for quarter ending 30th inst., in favor of H. M. Soule, Chairman of Finance Committee of the Board of Education $2472 11; John Van Vorst rent of colored school room, quarter ending 30th inst., $18 75. P. D. VROOM, Clerk of Board of Education.

Jersey City, April 17, 1860.

The requisition was received and the following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Alderman Warner and adopted.

Resolved, That a draft be drawn on the City Treasury in favor of the chairman on finance of the Board of Education, for teachers salaries for quarter ending 30th inst., and for rent of colored school room in accordance with the requisition from the Board of Education.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "Confirmation of Assessment for improvement and regulation of South Second street from Provost street to Newark avenue, including intersections:" The report was received and ordered filed.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department enclosing returns of the following elections, resignations and transfers in said Department confirmed by the Commissioners of the Fire Department:

Elections of James A McMillen by Engine Company No 1; Thomas Lenehan by Engine Co No 2; Cornelius Dougherty by Engine Co No 4; Thomas Coar by Engine Co No 5; Joseph S Pilling, William Johnson and Joseph Frank Tyler by Hose Co No 4; and E P Davis by Hook and Ladder Co No 1.

Resignations of Robert B Kashow, Peter H Daly and George W Brown from Hose Co No 3; and Matthew Waters from Hook and Ladder Co No 1.

Transfers of George T Ibbs, Japhet Jardine and Jas P Lewis from Hose Hose Co No 4 to Engine Co No 5; and Theodore Tupper from Hose Co No 4 to Hose Co No 2.

The communications were received, and the action of the Commissioners of the Jersey City Fire Department was approved and confirmed.

The com. on finance to whom was referred April 10, 1860, the petition of Nathaniel C. Slaight for Estate of William Dibill to have cancelled sale of lot 16 and parts of lots 17 to 20 South 8th street, and lot 13 and 2 houses on Newark Avenue sold June 7, 1858, for taxes of 1857 the taxes having been previously paid to the collector for that year, &c., presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the city clerk be directed to cancel of record the sale of above described lots made June 7, 1858, for taxes of 1857, for the reason that it has been made to appear to your committee that the taxes have been paid to the collector.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The com. on finance to whom was referred April 10, 1860, the petition of James J. Winants by Jacob Weart, attorney, for permission to redeem lot No. 63 Steuben street in block No. 48, sold as block No. 38, August 11, 1854, to the City Treasurer for assessment for filling Warren street between Montgomery and Morgan streets; and lot No. 120 sold as lot No. 157 Morgan street in block 59, September 10, 1857 to the city treasurer for assessment for filling Warren street between Morgan and Montgomery streets, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution,

Resolved, That permission be granted to James J. Winants to redeem certain property set forth in his petition provided the same be done in the manner usual in such cases.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on assessments presented a report in reference to the assessment for the improvement and regulation of South Second Street from Provost Street to Newark Avenue, including intersections, and recommending the adoption of the following resolution.

Resolved, That two per cent be added for collectors' fees to the amount of the assessment for the improvement and regulation of South Second Street, from Provost Street to Newark Avenue, including intersections, and that said assessment be confirmed.

The report was received.

The resolution wss adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Clarke, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Alderman Brown, Christie, Decker and McLaughlin.

Ald Edge was excused from voting.

The committee on assessments presented a report setting forth that the claims for work and materials furnished in the improvement and regulation of South 2d St from Provost St to Newark ave, including intersections, have been assessed, and recommending the adoption of the following resolutions.

Resolved, That improvement certificates be issued under the direction of the com on finance, in favor of James S Noyes, for four thousand five hundred and forty-three dollars and fifty-eight cents, being the amount of his bills for labor and materials furnished on the regulation of South 2d St, from Provost St to Newark ave, including intersections, and that his Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the city clerk be directed to affix the seal of the city thereto.

Resolved, That an improvement certificate be issued under the direction of the com on finance, in favor of William Moore, for thirty dollars, being the amount of

his bill for superintending paving of South 2d St, from Prospect St to the river, and that his Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the city clerk be directed to affix the seal of the city thereto.

Resolved, That an improvement certificate be issued under the direction of the com on finance in favor of Hugh Keenan for one hundred and forty-five dollars and sixty-two cents, being the amount of his bill for superintending on South 2d St, and that his Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the city clerk be directed to affix the seal of the city thereto.

Resolved, That an improvement certificate be issued under the direction of the com on finance in favor of I B and D E Culver for one hundred and thirty dollars and twenty cents, being the amount of their bill for surveys, calculations and assessment map for the regulation of South 2d street, from the east side of Provost street to the centre of Monmouth street, including intersections, and that his Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and that the city clerk be directed to affix the seal of the city thereto.

The report was received.

The resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Ald Clarke, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Haffman, McBride, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald Brown, Christie, Decker and McLaughlin.

The com on streets to whom was referred March 20, 1860, the petition of P H Zabriskie to have Grand St, from Jersey street to the Mill Creek filled to grade, curbed, guttered and sidewalks flagged four feet wide presented a report thereon adverse to granting the prayer of the petitioner for the reason that there are very few buildings on that part of Grand St sought to be improved, and many owners of lots, and that inasmuch as the above mentioned petition contains the name of one owner only, and your committee feel constrained to report adversely to its prayer, expressly reserving the question of the propriety of having the work done when a petition signed by any number of the lot owners shall be presented.

The report was received.

The com on streets to whom was referred with power March 27th, 1860, the petition of Stephen Garretson and the heirs of J B Coles, owners of lots on Prospect St, between the centre line of North 3d St and North 5th St, for permission to regulate and pave said portion of said street at their own expense, presented a report setting forth that the com have granted the privilege prayed for.

The report was received.

The com on streets to whom was referred with power March 13th, 1860, the petition of John Cassedy and others to have crosswalks laid across Montgomery St at its intersection with Washington street, reported that the work has been done.

The report was received.

The com. on streets to whom was referred March 27, 1860, the petition of Cornelius Kane, Hugh Reilly and P N Horsley, agent for Abraham Collard, for permission to pave at their own expense South 7th street where it intersects with Newark avenue and Monmouth street, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That permission is hereby given to Cornelius Kane, Hugh Reilly and P N Horsley, agent for Abraham Collard, to pave South 7th street, where it intersects with Newark avenue and Monmouth street at their own expense, but under the direction of the com. on streets, and said com. are hereby authorized to appoint a superintendent of said work who shall receive his compensation from the parties above named, and not from the city

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The com. on streets to whom was referred November 22d, 1859, the communication of John Corrigan, claiming land on Newark avenue, used by the Corporation of Jersey City, &c., presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That the matters set forth in communication of John Corrigan, presented to this Common Council November 22d, 1859, in reference to land on Newark avenue claimed by him and alleged to be used by the corporation of Jersey City, be referred to arbitrators for settlement, and that the committee on sts., be instructed to select one arbitrator on the part of the city, that one be selected by John Corrigan and that the two arbitrators above provided select a third ; and the corporation attorney is hereby instructed to prepare the necessary and requisite papers connected with such arbitration. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The com on streets, to whom were referred, March 13, 1860, sundry ordinances relating to street improvements, presented a report thereon, setting forth "that the improvements named in said ordinances have, with one or two exceptions, been embraced in other ordinances, and with reference to the said one or two exceptions, said committee deem it inexpedient to make the improvements named under said ordinances, inasmuch as they have been before the common council for the last four or five years," and recommending that said ordinances be not acted on but filed in the city clerk's office.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The com on sewers, to whom were referred, March 6, 1860, the communication from the president of the board of water commissioners and accompanying estimate of the engineer of the water commissioners of cost of laying a cast iron pipe under the Morris Canal, and connecting the same with the sewer in Henderson St, presented a report thereon, setting forth that pursuant to resolution passed March 13, 1860, the com on sewers were instructed to lay said pipe at a cost not to exceed four hundred and fifty dollars.

The report was received.

The com on sewers presented an agreement signed by owners of property in Bright Street, agreeing to pay their proportion of the cost and expenses of building a temporary sewer in Bright St, to extend from Grove St to Jersey St.

The agreement was received and referred to the board of water commissioners.

The com on licenses to whom was referred April 3d, 1860, the petition of Thomas Lynch for a license to keep a junk shop at No 11 Railroad avenue, presented an adverse report thereon setting forth that the committee deem it inadvisable to grant more than one license to any person at one time, etc., and that said Thomas Lynch now has one license for such purpose.

The report was received.

The com on public grounds and buildings presented a report of Messrs Job Male, Andrew Clerk and James Flemming in reference to the competition plans and specifications, referred to them, of a temporary City Hall, submitted by Stephen Quaife and D Lienau, architects, and the following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Ald Hankins :

Resolved, That the plan of Stephen Quaife, presented April 10th, 1860, be adopted and the plan referred to the com on public grounds and buildings with power to make such alteration as the com may deem necessary and report the same to this Board.

On motion of Ald Tilden the resolution was amended by inserting after the words "may deem necessary" the words "the building when completed not to exceed in cost the sum of twenty thousand dollars."

The resolution as amended was adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Ald Hardenbergh and adopted :

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of John Patten, Jr., for thirty-two dollars and sixty-seven cents, and the interest thereon from June 7, 1858, at the rate of seven per cent per annum to refund the purchase money, and interest thereon, paid by him for lot 156 Bay Street in block 53 at the sale by this corporation made June 7, 1858, for taxes of 1857 and said warrant be delivered to the above named John Patten, Jr., on his surrendering to the city clerk for cancelling the declaration of sale for said lot ; said lot having been erroneously assessed by the Assessors and the sale thereof been cancelled pursuant to a resolution passed April 3d and approved April 5, 1860.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh :

Resolved, That the Mayor be requested to offer a reward of two hundred and fifty dollars for the apprehension and delivery of the party or parties guilty of the murder of the female found in the waters of the Hudson River near the Cunard Dock.

Alderman Warner moved that the resolution be laid upon the table.

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Warner, Edge and Tilden.

Yeas—Pres. Van Vorst, Ald. Hoffman, Thurston and Warner.

Nays—Ald. Brown, Clarke, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, McBride, Ogden and Tilden.

Absent—Ald. Christie, Decker and McLaughlin.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hardenbergh, Clarke and McBride.

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Clarke, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Ogden and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Thurston and Warner.

Absent—Ald Chrisrie, Decker and McLaughlin.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Tilden.

Resolved, That inasmuch as real estate belonging to religious corporations or churches is by the charter exempt from taxation, therefore

Resolved, That the taxes of 1859 assessed on lot 13 South 6th St. in block 175, against the trustees of the 2d Presbyterian Church, and for which said lot is adver ised to be sold on the fourteenth day of June next, are not legally due, and that the collector of arrears of taxes be instructed to make the proper entry of such fact in the tax list now in his hands, and that said lot is hereby released from all liability for said taxes.

The resolution was referred to the com on finance.

The following resolution was offered by Ald Edge and adopted.

Resolved, That a warrant for four hundred dollars be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of Hercules Engine Co No 3, for purchase money of their hose carriage, which the city agreed to purchase under resolution of March 13, 1860, said company having, pursuant to the terms of their proposition, purchased a Philadelphia fire engine.

On motion of Ald Thurston the following entitled ordinance, presented March 20, 1860, and laid upon the table, was taken up for consideration, viz.:

"An ordinance to provide for filling in to the established grade, paving and laying bridge stone crosswalks at all the intersections in Prospect St, from the north side of Pavonia ave to the nort erly boundary of Jereey City, including all intersections"

The ordinance was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Brown, Clarke, E rle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Christie, Decker & McLaughlin.

On motion of Ald. Thurston the following entitled ordinance presented March 20, 1855, was taken up for consideration, namely:

"An ordinance to provide for filling in, grading, curbing paving, flagging sidewalks, laying cross walks and guttering Montgomery street between Barrow street and Jersey street, including intersections."

The ordinance was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas Pres. Van Vorst, Ald. Brown, Clarke, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride. Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Christie, Decker and McLaughlin.

On motion of Ald. Thurston the following entitled ordinance presented March 20, 1860, and laid upon the table was taken up for consideration, viz:

"An ordinance to provide for the opening of a street from where Newark ave intersects Railroad ave to the east line of Grove St, along the northerly line of the tracts of the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company."

The ordinance was amended. The title of the ordinance was amended so as to read as follows:

"An ordinance to provide for the opening of a street from the westerly line of Jeremiah Casey's lot to the east line of Grove St, along the northerly line of the tracks of the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company."

The ordinance as amended was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Clarke, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—Aldermen Brown and McBride.

Absent—Aldermen Christie, Decker and McLaughlin.

The President appointed Aldermen Tilden, Brown and Earle the special committee, pursuant to resolution of the 10th instant, to procure official emblems for the aldermen who have not already received them.

On motion of Ald Clarke the board then adjourned.

GE O. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.---OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, April 24th, 1860, at 7½ o'clock P.M.

Present—All the members of the Board.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 17th inst. were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows :

Petition of Mrs Filby to have an apportionment made of the taxes of 1857, upon her part of lot 25, Newark avenue, in block 39.

Referred to Com on Finance.

Communication from John E. Parsons, attorney for H. B. Cromwell, owner of the Townsend property, in Grand street, inquiring whether the city is disposed to make a settlement of the assessment for filling the street in front of said property.

Referred to Com. on Assessments.

Communication from John M. Gamuvell & Co., representing that they have fitted up in Tammany Hall and the Park, New York, a complete set of working models, illustrating their system of fire alarms, and inviting an official inspection of them, &c.

Referred to Com on Fire and Water.

Petition of S. A. French and others for a license to Peter Lynch to keep a junk shop at No. 11 Railroad avenue.

Referred to Com. on Licenses.

Petition of the officers of the Jersey City Locomotive Works and others for the privilege of dropping the curb opposite the drive ways in front of gates and doors on their premises in Morgan street, etc.

Referred to Com. on Streets with power.

Petition of the New York Railroad Chair Works for permission to lay a sidewalk of plank or cobble stones in front of their premises in Morgan street.

Referred to Com. on Streets with power.

Petition of the officers of the Second Regiment and of the three companies located in Jersey City for the use of the top story of the contemplated City Hall for said companies.

Referred to Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Official bond of Benjamin O. Edge, as Water Commissioner with James Flemming and George W. Edge as sureties.

Referred to the Corporation Attorney.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows viz :

Of Alexander Love $58 40 ; Keeney and Halliday $18 90 ; Thomas Royle, agent for Westervelt and Wilbur, $10 50 ; A. B. Reynolds $8 70 ; Keeney and Halliday $9 45, $9, $7 79 ; Thomas Royle, agent for Westervelt and Wilbur, $7 55 and $3 43.

Referred to Com. on Streets.

Of William B. Dunning $45 50.

Referred to Com. on Finance.

Of Henry A. Greene $6 72.

Referred to Com on Salaries, Offices and Elections.

Of Henry A. Greene $5.

Referred to Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of Philo Snow $4 50.

Referred to Com. on Public Health.

Of Thomas Royle, agent for Westervelt and Wilbur, $3.

Referred to Com on Sewers.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz. :

Of J. V. Hardenbergh $300 ; David Bedford $200 ; R. D. McClelland $150 ; Philo Snow $150 ; P. D. Vroom $125 ; Dr. J. E. Quidor $100 ; William N. Hogan $93 52 ; Ward and McGown $78 92 ; Hugh Reilly $29 61 ; Ward and McGown $27 75 ; Frederick P. Budden $25 ; A. B. Reynolds $16 26 ; Japhet Jardine $3 15, and A. B. Reynolds $7 30.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid viz :

Of William B. Dunning $200 ; F. J. Mallony $124 48 ; Thomas Gross $37 50 ; George Quaife & Co. $28 50 ; William Powell $21 79 ; I. B. and D. E. Culver $21 50 ; and $12 50 ; Samuel Hetherington $13 74 ; William B. Dunning $12 25 ; Samuel Hetherington $11 75 ; Thos. Howe $11 42 ; Anness and Stephenson $9 43 ; Benjamin Mills $7 50 ; Samuel Hetherington $6 24 ; Samuel D. Ellis $5 ; I. B. and D. E Culver $5 ; Alexander Love $3 75 ; William Bumsted & Co. $1 67. and Samuel Hetherington 50 cents.

The com. on streets to whom was referred April 17, 1860, the claim of Jeremiah Casey for earth filling on property of corporation, bounded by Newark and Railroad avenues and property of Jeremiah Casey, amounting to $47 36 was reported correct by said committee for $29 56, and that amount was ordered paid.

The Com. on Streets, to whom was referred April 17, 1860, the claim of John Wilson for work and materials furnished in the improvement of Montgomery St., (south side,) from Barrow to Jersey streets, along the north side of Van Vorst Square, amounting to $489 98, was reported correct by said committee for $432 84, and that amount was ordered paid.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "Application to have South 3d street between the centre of Prospect Street and the westerly side of Provost Street, filled to the established grade, paved, curbed and guttered, and both side walks flagged four feet wide where not already done and where curbing, guttering and flagging may be required."

The report was received and orderd filed.

The City Clerk verbally reported that pursuant to resolution of the 10th instant, he has procured from the Secretary of State at Trenton certified copies of the acts affecting Jersey City, passed by the Legislature at its recent session.

A communication was presented from the Engineer of the Board of Water Commissioners returning the petition of Ira Clark for the construction of a receiving basin at the south east corner of York and Warren streets, referred to said Board November 15, 1859, and submitting an estimate and description of the cost of building said receiving basin.

The communication was ordered to be published in the Corporation paper ; and the communication, petition and estimate were referred to the Committee on Sewers.

A communication was presented from the Engineer of the Board of Water Commissioners in reference to the construction of a temporary Sewer in Bright street from Grove to Jersey Street, returning the agreement referred to said Board April 17, 1860, of Charles Y. Betts and others owners of property on Bright street, agreeing to pay their proportion of the cost of building a temporary Sewer in Bright street to extend from Grove street to Jersey street.

The communication and accompanying documents were referred to the Committee on Sewers:

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred March 27, 1860, the petition of J. H. Lyon and others, Trustees of the Second Presbyterian Church to have remitted the assessment on their property in South 6th Street for Sewer in said street presented an adverse report thereon, submitting the opinion of the City Attorney setting forth that he has "not been able to find any recognition of the right of the Common Council to exempt such property from the assessment."

The report was received.

The Committee on Assessments present the oaths of office of Robert C. Lacot and Robert B. Earle, arbitrators, appointed in the matter of the Steuben Street assessment.

The oaths were received and ordered filed.

Ald. Thurston, from the Com. on Streets, presented contracts between the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City and William H. Gautier and Nelson Baron to improve Morgan street, from Greene street to Prospect street, and submitting a new bond executed by W. H. Gautier, Nelson Baron, and by Francis P. Gautier and Cornelius C. Martindale, as sureties for the faithful performance of the contract, the old bond having been illegally drawn.

The contracts were received, ordered to be executed on the part of the city by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, and the new bond was approved and ordered filed in the City Clerk's office, and the old bond ordered to be returned to the principal named therein.

The Com. on Streets, to whom was referred July 5th, 1859, the petition of Andrew Clerk and others, owners of property on South 3d street, to have said street, between the centre of Prospect street and the westerly side of Provost street, filled in to the established grade, paved, curbed and guttered, and both sidewalks flagged four feet wide, etc., presented a favorable report thereon and submitting the following entitled ordinance viz :

"An ordinance to provide for filling in to the established grade, paving, curbing, guttering, laying crosswalks and flagging sidewalks of South 3d street, where the same has not been done, between the centre of Prospect street and the westerly side of Provost street."

The report was received and the ordinance laid upon the table.

The Committee on Fire and Water to whom were referred March 26th, 1860, a claim of Alexander M. C. Smith, amounting to $1539 45 and April 17th, 1860, a claim of same party amounting to $215 13 for Hose for the Fire Department, returned the said claims for the reason that Mr. Smith when the Hose was purchased agreed to sell it on credit.

The claims were laid on the table.

The Committee on Sewers to whom were referred at this meeting the petition of Ira Clark for the construction of a receiving basin at the south east corner of York and Warren streets, and the communication and estimate of the Board of Water Commissioners in relation thereto, reported the following resolution;

Resolved, That Saturday May 19th, 1860, at 7½ o' clock, P. M., and the City Clerk's office No. 23 Montgomery street are hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the Committee on Sewers of the Common Council of Jersey City will meet for the purpose of hearing on the merits of the same all parties interested in the application of Ira Clark for the construction of a receiving basin at the south east corner of York and Warren streets, presented to this Common Council November 15, 1859; and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the Corporation paper for the length of time required by law notice of the presentation of the said application and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing, and to embrace in said notice the estimate and description furnished by the Board of Water Commissions in their communication presented to this Common Council April 24, 1860.

The report was received, and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Sewers to whom were referred at this meeting the agreement of Charles Y. Betts and others, owners of property on Bright street, to pay their proportion of the cost and expenses of building a temporary sewer in Bright street from Grove street to Jersey Street, and the communication of the Engineer of the Board of Water Commissioners respecting the same, reported the following resolution in relation thereto.

Resolved, That Saturday May 19, 1860, at 7½ o'clk. P. M., and the City Clerk's office No 23 Montgomery st. are hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the Committee on Sewers of the Common Council of Jorsey City will meet for the purpose of hearing on the merits of the same all parties interested in the application or agreement present edto this Common Council April 17, 1860, of Charles Y. Betts and others agreeing to pay their proportion of the cost and expenses of building a temporary Sewer in Bright street from Grove to Jersey street; and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the Corporation paper for the length of time required by law notice of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings reported a certificate of Stephen Quaife, Superintendent, that Messrs. Keeney & Hallady, Masons, have completed their portion of Public School House No. 3, according to the contract, except the heating and ventilating, &c.

The certificate was received and ordered filed.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of John Patten, Jr., for thirty seven dollars and thirty one cents, and the interest thereon from June 7, 1853, at the rate of seven per cent per annum, to refund the purchase money (and interest thereon) paid by him for lot 13 Newark Avenue, in block 197, Quaife & Otley's map, at the sale by this Corporation made June 7, 1853, for taxes of 1857, and said warrant be delivered to the above named John Patten, Jr., on his surrendering to the City Clerk for cancelling the declaration of sale for said lot, the taxes on said lot having been previously paid to the Collector for that year, and the sale thereof been cancelled pursuant to resolution passed April 17th, and approved April 19, 1860.

The resolution was adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh.

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of John Patten, Jr., for twenty-nine dollars and eighty-seven cents and the interest thereon from June 7, 1858, at the rate of seven per cent per annum to refund the purchase money (and interest thereon) paid by him for lot 16, and parts of lots 17 to 20 South 8th Street in block 149, Quaife & Otley's map at the sale by this Corporation made June 7, 1858, for taxes of 1857; and said warrant be delivered to the above named John Patten, Jr., on his surrendering to the City Clerk for cancelling the declaration of sale for said lots, the taxes on said lots having been previously paid to the Collector for that year and the sale thereof been cancelled pursuant to a resolution passed April 17 and approved April 19, 1860.

The resolution was adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman McLaughlin:

Resolved, That the Committee on Fire and Water be authorized to expend a sum not exceeding one hundred and fifty dollars for furnishing new house of Phoenix Hose Company No. 2.

On motion of Alderman Thurston the resolution was amended by striking out the words "one hundred and fifty dollars" and inserting in their place the words "two hundred and fifty dollars;" the resolution as amended was adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hankins:

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings are hereby directed to publish for one week from the date of approval of this resolution an advertisement of sale of the buildings on the lots owned by the City on Newark Avenue; that said buildings be sold at auction to the highest bidder, and that he be required to remove the same from the lots within one week from the day of sale,

The resolution was adopted.

The following entitled ordinance was presented by Alderman Thurston and the same was laid upon the table, viz:

"An ordinance to amend an ordinance entitled a law for the impounding of animals, passed July 23, 1843."

On motion of Alderman Thurston the report and following resolution of the Committee on Streets presented April 10, 1860, and laid upon the table, on the petition referred to said committee April 3, 1860, of R. B Earle and others to have the carriage way of York street from Warren street to Hudson street outside of the Horse Railroad Tracks paved with Belgian pavemen, were taken up for consideration.

Resolved, that the Committee on Streets be and are hereby authorized to advertise for proposals for a contract to pave with Belgian pavement the carriage way of York street from Warren street to Hudson street on the outside of the Horse Railroad tracks in said street; payment to be made in City Bonds payable in five years with interest at the rate of six per cent per annum.

The resolution was rejected.

Alderman Thurston moved

"That the Committee on Streets be authorized to employ a city surveyor to place stakes in York street, to indicate the grade of said stroet where the railroad tracks are to be laid, and that the Railroad Company be required to lay their rail at such grade."

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hankins, Hoffman and Tilden:

Yeas—Aldermen Brown, Christie, Earle, Edge, Hardenbergh, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston and Tilden.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Aldermen Clarke, Decker, Hankins, Hoffman, McBride and Warner.

On motion of Ald Clarke the board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.---OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, May 1st, 1860, at 7½ o'clock P.M.

Present—President Van Vorst and Ald. Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hankins, Haedenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—Aldermen Brown, Christie and Edge.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 24th April 1860. were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Petition of Christopher Doudle for remission of fine imposed upon him by the Recorder for driving an omnibus without having a license to do so.

Laid upon the table.

Petition of James J. Winants to have cancelled the sale of lot No. 126 Steuben street, block 48, the purchaser certifying that he had been paid his demand in full, but has lost his declaration of sale.

Laid upon the table.

Petition of Patrick Maloney for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables.

Laid upon the table.

The official bond of Chancellor W. Chase as constable with David Taylor and Charles Keenan, as sureties, and the corporation attorney's certificate of its being drawn in legal form, endorsed thereon, was presented, approved and ordered filed in the comptroller's office.

A claim of Charles Scott, amounting to $140 09, for carpenter's work and materials at Station House, was presented, received and laid upon the table

The following claims and accounts were presented received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Police Department $1296 76; Grinnell & Sons $136; Drayton and Durant $101 72; Matthew Erwin $97 46; H. Goetschius $55 42; Joseph H. Rommel $50; Hugh Reilly $46 61; J. F. Richardson $43 25: Nathaniel Ellis $39 37; A. B. Reynolds $36 97; James McLaughlin $34 63; J. F. Richardson $25 25; S. Billington $17 50; Japhet Jardine $17; Mrs. Ann Eaton $15 50; Hugh Billingsley $12 50; Henry A. Greene $4 74; Peter Hall $4 44, and John Coar $3 29.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board. were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Alexander Love $58 40; Wm. B. Dunning $45 50; Keeney and Halladay $9 45, 18 19 and $9; A. B. Reynolds $8 70; Keeney and Halladay $7 70; Thomas Royle, agent of Westervelt and Wilbur $10 50, and $7 55; Henry A. Greene $6 72 and $5; Philo Snow $4 50, and Thomas Royle, agent for Westervelt and Wilbur, $3 45.

The City Clerk laid before the board the following communication from his Honor the Mayor, filed in the City Clerk's office, on the 30th April, 1860: and the same was received, read, ordered to be entered at large on the journal of proceedings of the Common Council; and on motion of Alderman Thurston, was laid upon the table.

Mayor's Office,
Jersey City, April 26, 1860.

To the Hon. the Common Council.

GENTLEMEN: The distance in Prospect street from Pavonia avenue to the northern boundaries of the city is more than 3,120 feet. It has been regulated by being graded, and gutter and curb stones placed, and cross walks and four feet of side walks laid. Within 200 feet of Pavonia avenue has been erected, within the last year, five substantial brick dwelling houses, but nothing beyond for some years, excepting the rolling mill. And the only other buildings on the whole extent are the old mansion of the late Mr. Traphagen and four tenement houses. The northern part of that street was formerly used as the route to Hoboken, but by reason of the new bay route, which saves two-thirds of the distance, it is not now used for that purpose. Four persons have signed a petition for paving the whole extent of this street, and I am asked to concur with you in an ordinance for that purpose. I dissent to it as being premature and not demanded by the owners of the lots fronting thereon. I think it will be well to do said work for two blocks to the extent of 400 feet which will carry it past the new buildings aforesaid, but not beyond, at this time, nor until a majority of the owners ask for the improvement. My reason for this is that the city is now burthened with a heavy amount of advances for assessments for sewers and pavements not refunded by the lot owners, and it is best to have their concurrence for the pavement before it is undertaken, as it will take away their objections for the payment of the assessment.

Until sewers are built, a paved street with deep cross gutters are worse for wheeling than earth graded sts. This is found to be so now in the south part of Prospect street, whereby drivers of vehicles prefer to reach the north part of the city through Grove street, which is free from such breaks and imperiments.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

D. S. GREGORY, Mayor.

A communication was presented from the President of the Board of Water Commissioners, enclosing an estimate of the sources of revenue to be derived from the Jersey City Water Works for the year commencing May 1st, 1860, and also an estimate of expenditures for the same year.

The communication and estimate were received and ordered filed in the City Clerk's office.

The City Treasurer's report for April, 1860, showing balance in that treasury April 30, 1860, of $12,547 56, was presented, received and ordered filed.

Communications were presented and received from the chief engineer of the fire department, enclosing returns of the following elections and resignations in said department, confirmed by the commissioners of the fire department.

Elections of Henry Smith by Hose Co. No. 3; Thos. Hines by Engine Co. No. 2; William H. Smith, Chas. P. Halstead, by Engine Co. No. 3; and William W. Holmes by Engine Co. No. 5.

Resignations of David Gould and Peter D. Vroom from Engine Co. No. 2.

The communications were received, and the action of the commissioners of the Jersey city fire department was approved and confirmed.

The report of the chief of police for the quarter ending May 1st, 1860, was presented, received and laid upon the table.

The report of the chief of police for the quarter ending May 1st, 1860, of the number of gas lamps out of repair, was presented, received and laid upon the table.

The bond of John J. Hill with William White and John Chilver as sureties for the faithful fulfilment of contract to build house of Hose Co. No. 2, referred to the corporation attorney January 10, 1 60, was reported back by that officer as drawn in legal form.

The bond was approved and ordered filed in the comptroller's office.

The official bond of Benjamin O. Edge as water commissioner, referred to the corporation attorney April 24th, 1860, was reported back by that officer as "not entirely filled in," and therefore not approved, and a new bond of Benjamin O. Edge as water commissioner, with James Fleming and George W. Edge as sureties, with the corporation attorney's certificate of its being "drawn in legal form," endorsed thereon, was presented.

The old bond was ordered to be returned to the principal named therein, and the new one was approved and ordered to be filed in the comptroller's office.

The Com on Finance, to whom was referred, April 17th, 1860, the resolution releasing from taxes for 1859, lot 13 South 6 h street, in block 175, assessed to the trustees of the Second Presbyterian Church, presented a report recommending the reference of the resolution to the city attorney. The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The Com. on Finance, to whom was referred, April 24th, 1860, the petition of Mrs. Filby to have an apportionment made of taxes for 1857 on lot 25 Newark avenue, in block 39, sold June 7th, 1858, presented a report thereon, accompanied by the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the sale of lot as above described be cancelled of record, and that the city clerk be directed to make a new apportionment of the taxes upon said property.

Resolved, That permission be hereby given to Mrs. Filby to redeem the portion of said lot now owned by her, and the balance of the lot remaining unredeemed, the city clerk be directed to advertise for sale in the manner usual in such cases.

Resolved, That a warrant for the purchase money be drawn in favor of John Patten, junior, with interest at the rate of seven per cent, per annum for the sum paid by him for the purchase of said property, upon delivering to the City Clerk of the declaration of sale

The report was received and the resolutions were adopted.

The Committee on Finance presented a communication from the Comptroller certifying to an overpayment into the City Treasury by the City Clerk on assessments accounts, as per report of the Comptroller made to the Common Council, February 1st, 1859, and reported the following resolution.

Resolved, That a warrant for forty-three dollars and thirty-six cents be drawn in favor of George W. Cassedy for monies over paid by him as set forth in communication of the City Comptroller. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred April 3, 1860, the petition of Clarkson N. Potter, to have an apportionment made of the amount of taxes

oduen lots 27, 28, 29 and 30 South 7th street, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolutions.

Resolved: That the City Clerk is hereby instructed to make an apportionment due for taxes for the years 1854, 1855, 1857 and 1858, on lots 27, 28, 29 and 30, South 7th street, as designated on the VanVorst Township map, and also for any taxes, assessments or water rents, which may have been paid by the City Treasurer to redeem lots 25 to 30 inclusive, South 7th street, or any of them; and that upon such apportionment being made, and upon the payment into the city treasury of the amount of the same, the City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter on the proper books in his office, on the filing of the Treasurer's Certificate of the payment of the amount so found to be due, a release of the above described lots 27, 28, 29 and 30 South 7th street from all liens held by the City Treasurer on behalf of the city.

Resolved, That upon the payment into the city treasury by Clarkson N. Potter of the amount of the apportionment on lots 27, 28, 29 and 30 South 7th street for taxes of 1857, the sale made June 7th, 1858, to David Bedford of lots 25 to 30, South 7th street, in block 149, for taxes of 1857, be cancelled of record by the city clerk, and that a warrant on the treasurer for the purchase money paid by David Bedford, together with interest thereon at the rate of seven per cent. per annum be drawn in his favor and be delivered to him on his surrendering to the city clerk for cancelling the declaration of sale of said lots.

Resolved, That upon the payment into the city treasury by Clarkson N. Potter of the amount of the apportionment on lots 27, 28, 29 and 30 South 7th street, for taxes of 1858, the sale made June 16 th, 1859, to James Gopsill of lots 25 to 30 South 7th street, in block 149 for taxes of 1858, be cancelled of record by the city clerk, and that a warrant on the treasurer for the purchase money paid by James Gopsill together with interest thereon at the rate of seven per cent. per annum be drawn in his favor and be delivered to him on his surrendering to the city clerk for cancelling the tax receipt issued to said James Gopsill for said lots.

Resolved, That after lots 27, 28, 29 and 30 South 7th street, shall have been redeemed in the manner provided in the above resolutions, the city clerk be instructed to advertise and sell according to law lots 25 and 26 South 7th street, in block 149 V V township map for whatever taxes, water rents or assessments may remain in his office or the treasurer's office as a lien on said lots.

The report was received and the resolutions were adopted.

The com on assessments to whom was referred April 24th, 1860, the communication of John E. Parsons, attorney for H. B. Cromwell, owner of the Townsend property on Grand street, inquiring whether the city is disposed to make a settlement on the assessment on said property for filling in of Grand street, presented a report thereon adverse to making any abatement whatever in the amount of the assessment, and recommending that the city clerk be instructed to communicate such determination to the petitioner.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The Com. on Assessments to whom was referred March 6, 1860, the communication from the board of commissioners for assessments in relation to the assessment for the improvement of Newark avenue from Warren street to Jersey avenue, &c., presented a report returning said communication and recommending that it be laid on the table.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The Com. on Streets to whom were referred April 24, 1860, with power, the petition of New York Railroad Chair Works, for permission to lay a side walk of four inch plank or cobble stones in front of their premises in Morgan street; and the petition of the officers of the Jersey City Locomotive Works and others, for the privilege of dropping the curb opposite the drive ways in front of gates and doors on premises in Morgan street, four inches below the established grade, presented a report thereon, setting forth that they have granted the prayers of the petitioners and have given the parties permission to pave with Belgian pavement the portion named in their petition, on condition that the property owners in Morgan street file in the city clerk's office an agreement that the permission granted shall not interfere in any way with the assessment on their property for the regulation of said street.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred February 7, 1860, with power the communication of Edward P. Terry and others calling the attention of the Common Council to the unsafe condition of sidewalk on York street at or near the north west corner of Warren street, presented a report thereon, setting forth that said sidewalk has been placed in a safe condition.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Streets to who was referred January 17, 1860, the petition of Alexander Hamilton and others to have the side walks on Barrow street from Newark avenue to York street flagged eight feet wide, presented a report returning said petition and recommending that it be laid on the table. The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred December 13, 1859, with power the petition of George Ogden and others owners of property on Jersey avenue between North 3d and North 7th streets asking that said portion of Jersey avenue be regulated and graded, and that the petitioners be allowed to do their own work in front of their respective lots at their own expense, presented a report thereon, setting forth that the prayer of the petitioners has been granted.

The report was received.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred January 31, 1860, the petition of James F. Fielder, for an extension of the time for completing his contract for the improvement of Bright street, presented a favorable report thereon, recommending that the time for completion of said contract be extended to June 1, 1860.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The Com on Streets to whom was referred January 31, 1860, with power, the petition of J. McCollick and others for the removal of the joice or timber which supports the building known as the Eagle Distillery, presented a report thereon, setting forth that the joice or timber complained of has been removed.

The report was received.

The Com. on Streets to whom was referred December 6, 1859, with power, the communication from Philo Snow, street commissioner, calling the attention of the common council to the dangerous condition of pump in South 7th street, near Jersey avenue, and recommending its removal, presented a report thereon, setting forth that the pump has been removed and the well properly covered over.

The report was received.

The Com. on Streets to whom was referred April 10, 1860, with power, the communication of Joseph Dodd, of No. 13 Grand street, calling the attention of the common council to the condition of the side walk in front of lot adjoining his on the west side, returned said communication and it was laid on the table.

The com. on streets to whom were referred February 7, 1860, the communication of John F. Ward, city surveyor, proposing to make a new city map from actual surveys; July 19, 1859, the petition of John Corrigan and others to have the street grade or curb established on Newark avenue, at the north-east and south-east corners of Grove street conformably to accompanying profile map, also the petition of George McLaughlin to have the street grade or curb established at the south-west and north-west corners of Mercer and Henderson streets conformably to accompanying profile map, and February 14, 1860, the petition of S. R. Tyrrell and others, a coroner's jury empannelled to inquire into the cause of the death of Hugh McLeod, setting forth that the crossing at the junction of Newark and Railroad avenues is in a very dangerous condition from the want of a sufficient number of flagmen, or gates or fences to prevent persons from being run over, and asking that measures be taken to afford to our citizens the proper protection, etc, returned said petitions, and they were laid upon the table.

The com. on sewers to whom was referred April 24, 1860, the claim of Thomas Royle, agent for Westervelt and Wilbur, for cover for sewer, corner Mercer and Grove streets, amounting to $3 00, and returned said claim, and it was laid on the table.

The com. on licenses, to whom was referred April 24, 1860, the petition of S. A. French and others to have a license granted to Peter Lynch to keep a junk shop at No. 11 Railroad avenue, presented a favorable report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved that a license be granted to Peter Lynch to keep a junk-shop at No. 11 Railroad avenue on his paying the usual license fee required by the charter for said license.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Ald Clarke, Decker, Earle, Hunkins, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—President Van Vorst and Ald. Hardenbergh and Thurston.

Absent—Ald. Brown, Christie and Edge.

The Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings presented a report on the proposals of John J. Hill, Smith Mead, George Quaife & Co., James McLaughlin, and John J. Hill, for contract to build house of Hose Company No. 2, referred to said committee October 11. 1859,

with power to contract, &c., the report setting forth that the contract has been awarded to John J. Hill, and recommending that the bond of said John J. Hill, presented January 10, 1860, and referred to the corporation attorney and reported back by that officer this evening as drawn in legal form, be approved and filed in the comptroller's office.

The report was received.

The Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings to whom was referred September 6, 1859, the petition of J. C. Brautigan and others for the privilege of purchasing from the city the rear of the Public School House lots in the third ward, and to whom was referred December 20, 1859, a resolution in reference to same subject, presented a report thereon, setting forth that the matter has been disposed of by resolution of the common council, and asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition.

The report was received and the committee were discharged from the further consideration of the petition.

The Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings to whom was referred February 7, 1860, the communication of Alexander Bartlett, publisher of the Architect's and Mechanic's Journal, asking that the advertisement for competition plans of City Hall be inserted in said paper, presented a report thereon, setting forth that the subject has been disposed of, and asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the communication.

The report was received and the committee were discharged from its further consideration.

The Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings presented a report in reference to the completion of Public School House No. 3, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That Public School House No. 3 is hereby accepted from the contractors, as complete in all respects, provided that the sum of two thousand dollars be retained by the corporation of Jersey City out of the monies due to Keeney & Halladay, and be not paid to them until after the heating apparatus placed in said building has been thoroughly tested to the entire satisfaction of the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City: and that when the same shall have been tested to the entire satisfaction of the said corporate authorities of the city, then interest on the before-named sum at the rate of six per cent. per annum, shall be allowed to Messrs. Keeney & Halladay from the date when this resolution goes into effect.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Clarke and adopted:

Resolved, That when this board adjourns it will adjourn to meet again at this Common Council Chamber on Monday the 7th May inst., at 7½ o'clock P.M., for the purpose of approving the minutes only.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Hardenbergh and adopted:

Resolved, That a warrant for twelve dollars be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of Thomas S. Allison, secretary of State, in full payment of his charges against the city for furnishing certified copies of acts of the Legislature of New Jersey respecting Jersey City.

The following preamble and resolutions were offered by Ald. Hardenbergh:

Whereas city bond No 50, old form, for one thousand dollars, issued to Fire Department Fund Association, bearing date April 10th, 1855, and drawn payable in five years from date, is now due; and

Whereas said association desire the same to be renewed, and to obtain a coupon bond therefor; therefore,

Resolved, That when the said, the Fire Department Association of Jersey City shall have deposited in the office of the city comptroller city bond No. 50 as described in the first above stated preamble, the comptroller shall deliver to them a certificate that said bond No. 50 has been deposited by them in his office, thereupon the com. on finance shall upon the delivery of such certificate to them issue their requisition upon the mayor and city clerk for one coupon bond in the sum of one thousand dollars, with interest thereon at the rate of seven per cent. per annum, said bond to be dated April 10th, 1860, and to be drawn payable in fifteen years years from date.

Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor be requested and the city clerk be instructed to sign said bond, and the city treasurer be instructed to signs the coupons provided first, however, that the city comptroller shall not countersign said new bond until he shall first have marked upon said old bond No. 50, the number and amount of the new bond for which said old bond shall have been exchanged.

Resolved, That the comptroller be instructed to issue his requisition for the payment of interest on said old bond to April 10, 1860.

The preamble and resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Pres. Van Vorst and Ald. Clarke, Earle, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Nays—none.

Absent—Ald. Brown, Christie and Edge.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Tilden and adopted:

Resolved, That the vote be rescinded, by which was adopted at a meeting of the common council held April 10, 1860, a resolution directing the board of water commissioners to construct a lateral sewer in Bright street, from Barrow street, to connect with the sewer in Grove street.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this board be presented to Corn's Van Vorst, Esq., president of this board, for the attentive, courteous and efficient manner in which he has presided over the deliberations of this board for the past municipal year.

The President briefly returned his thanks.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hardenbergh and unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Board are eminently due and hereby tendered to the City Clerk, City Comptroller, City Attorney and City Treasurer for the faithful manner in which they have performed their respective duties for the municipal year now about to close and for the willingness always displayed by them in aiding the several committees of the Board in the matters connected with their departments of the city government.

On motion of Ald. Tilden the board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.



COMMON COUNCIL.--OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

Adjourned regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Monday, May 7th, 1860, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

In the absence of the President, the Board was called to order by the City Clerk.

Present—Ald. Brown, Christie, Clarke, Decker, Earle, Edge, Hankins, Hardenbergh, Hoffman, McBride, McLaughlin, Ogden, Thurston, Tilden and Warner.

Absent—President Van Vorst.

On motion of Ald. Hoffman, Ald. Tilden was appointed President pro-tempore.

The minutes of the regular meeting of May 1st, 1860 were read and approved.

On motion of Alderman Edge the Board then adjourned SINE DIE.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

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